



NYC pride parade is one of largest in movement's history

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NEW YORK (AP) — Exuberant crowds carrying rainbow colors filled New York City streets Sunday for one of the largest pride parades in the history of the gay-rights movement, a dazzling celebration of the 50th anniversary of the infamous police raid on the Stonewall Inn.

Marchers and onlookers took over much of midtown Manhattan with a procession that lasted hours and paid tribute to the uprising that began at the tavern when patrons resisted officers on June 28, 1969. The parade in New York and others like it across the nation concluded a month of events marking the anniversary.

Eraina Clay, 63, of suburban New Rochelle, came to celebrate a half-century of fighting for equality.

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Marchers participate in the Queer Liberation March in New York, Sunday, June 30, 2019.

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In this May 21, 2019, file photo, People gather at the state Capitol to rally in support of abortion rights in Sacramento, Calif.
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SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — The Trump administration has agreed to postpone implementing a rule allowing medical workers to decline performing abortions or other treatments on moral or religious grounds while the so-called "conscience" rule is challenged in a California court.

The rule was supposed to take effect on July 22 but the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services

and its opponents in a California lawsuit mutually agreed Friday to delay a final ruling on the matter until Nov. 22. The agency called it the "most efficient way to adjudicate" the rule.

A federal judge in San Francisco permitted the change on Saturday. A California lawsuit alleges that the department exceeded its authority with the rule, which President Trump announced in May.

The measure known as Protecting Statutory Conscience Rights in Health Care; Delegations of Authority would require institutions that receive money from federal programs to certify that they comply with some 25 federal laws protecting conscience and religious rights.

Most laws pertain to medical procedures such as abortion, sterilization and assisted suicide. □

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Official: 10 dead in Dallas-area small plane crash

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DALLAS (AP) — Ten people were killed when a small airplane crashed into a hangar as it was taking off from a Dallas-area airport Sunday morning, an spokeswoman for the town of Addison, Texas, said.

Spokeswoman Mary Rosenbleeth said no one aboard the twin-engine plane survived at the Addison Municipal Airport, about 20 miles (32 kilometers) north of Dallas.

The Beechcraft BE-350 King Air hit an unoccupied

hangar soon after 9 a.m., according to the Federal Aviation Administration. The agency said that the blaze destroyed the plane but could not confirm how many people were aboard Sunday evening. Video showed black smoke billowing from the building and a gaping hole in the hangar where the plane crashed. An official with the medical examiner's office told The Associated Press they could not release any information on the crash Sunday evening. □

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"I think that we should be able to say we've been here for so long, and so many people are gay that everybody should be able to have the chance to enjoy their lives and be who they are," Clay said. "I have a family. I raised kids. I'm just like everybody else."

Alyssa Christianson, 29, of New York City, was topless, wearing just sparkly pasties and boy shorts underwear. A Pride flag was tied around her neck like a cape.

"I've been to the Pride parade before, but this is the first year I kind of wanted to dress up and get into it," she said.

Christianson said she was concerned that the movement could suffer setbacks during the Trump administration, which has moved to revoke newly won health care protections for transgender people, restrict their presence in the military and withdraw federal guidance that trans students should be able to use bathrooms of their choice. "I'm definitely a little scared of how things are going, just the anger and violence that comes out of it and just the tone of conversation about it. We've come so far, especially in the last few decades, that I don't want to see that repressed in any way."

In May, Trump tweeted about Pride Month and praised the "outstanding contributions" of LGBT people. But his administration has also aligned with some religious conservatives in arguing that nondiscrimination protections for those same people can infringe on the religious beliefs of

others who oppose same-sex marriage and transgender rights.

Earlier in the day, a crowd of about 2,000 people gathered outside the Stonewall Inn. At the Queer Liberation March near the bar, some participants said the larger Pride parade had become too commercialized and heavily policed.

"What's important to remember is that this is a protest against the monetization of the Pride parade, against the police brutality of our community, against the poor treatment of sections of our community, of black and brown folk, of immigrants," said Jake Seller, a 24-year-old Indiana native who now lives in Brooklyn and worked as one of the march's volunteers.

Protesters carried anti-Trump and queer liberation signs, chanting, "Whose streets? Our streets!"

"We march for the liberation of our community so they can live and celebrate their identity. So they can reclaim it. This will always remain a protest, not an advertisement," Seller said.

Other attendees focused on the progress that's been made within the LGBTQ community over the last few decades.

"We've come so far in the past 20 years," said 55-year-old Gary Piper, who came from Kansas to celebrate Pride with his partner. "I remember friends who would be snatched off the streets in Texas for dressing in drag. They'd have to worry about being persecuted for their identity."

"But now we're so much more accepted. I'm not saying we don't have ways

to go, but let's celebrate how far we've come," he said.

The police presence at the march was heavy, with several officers posted at every corner. Metal barricades were erected along the entire parade route.

In San Francisco, a similar police presence sparked a mid-parade protest that halted the march.

About 40 people interrupted the parade for just under an hour and two people were arrested while protesting police and corporation presence, the San Francisco Chronicle reported.

Protesters broke down barricades and threw water



New York Governor Andrew Cuomo, lower front center, joins people participating in the LGBTQ Pride march Sunday, June 30, 2019, in New York.

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bottles at officers as they rushed onto the parade route. At least one protest-

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Flint hears from prosecutors who dropped water charges



Claudia Perkins-Milton, second right, joins other Flint residents as they show their determination while asking heartfelt, serious questions to Michigan Solicitor General Fadwa Hammoud and Wayne County Prosecutor Kym Worthy during a community meeting with Flint water prosecutors at UAW Local 659 in Flint, Mich.

Associated Press

FLINT, Mich. (AP) — Prosecutors who dropped charges against eight people in the Flint water scandal explained their decision in a public forum Friday night, telling frustrated, shocked and saddened residents they must look at hundreds of mobile devices and millions of documents that a previous investigative team never reviewed.

Michigan Solicitor General Fadwa Hammoud and Wayne County Prosecutor Kym Worthy spoke to about 100 residents Friday

night at a union hall in the city, two weeks after dismissing charges against the former state health director and other officials. The three-year probe has started over, and charges could be refilled.

"We have received information that is absolutely relevant to our investigation that we have never had before," said Hammoud, who took over the investigation of Flint's lead-contaminated water in January following the election of Dana Nessel, a Democrat who succeeded Republican Attorney General Bill Schuette. Nessel is not involved in the criminal probe because she is working to resolve Flint residents' lawsuits against the state.

Hammoud cited the need to review 20 million documents and said her team uncovered in a month, with search warrants, what previous investigators had not retrieved in three years. The prosecutors criticized how their predecessors cut seven other officials plea deals resulting in no jail time or criminal records.

"I've never seen anything like it," said Worthy, who also joined the criminal team.

Some residents were shocked by the massive amount of new materials being reviewed and that the statute of limitations for one felony crime — misconduct in office — could expire in nine months. Others thanked the new prosecutors, agreeing the prior investigation was inadequate.

Arthur Woodson said defendants who pleaded no contest "got less time for poisoning over 98,000 people than somebody stealing a slice of pizza. People have died. ... I have PTSD. It's hard to trust. But what I heard here today: Y'all have been totally honest." A tearful Marijoyce Campbell said she had a "heavy heart" after learning about the new documents and being told some materials the previous investigative team had were heavily redacted.

"I cannot believe something like this can happen," she said. "Please, please tell me some heads are going to roll, that somebody is going to pay for all this murder, all this criminal activity." Other people demanded charges against Republican former Gov. Rick Snyder, who has apologized for his administration's role in the crisis, and a closer look at local officials involved in the construction of a regional pipeline that was a factor in the temporary switch to using water from the Flint River. The prosecutors said they will go where the evidence takes them.

"A lot of us are really angry, and we want to see some justice," said Claudia Perkins-Milton, adding that the new prosecutors "are the ones to do it."

"There's a lot of criminals in this case," she said. "It's wide open."

Another resident, Laura MacIntyre, criticized how prosecutors announced their decision. □

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Was hiking with group to summit Mt. Waterman, became separated and hiking group was not able to locate missing person.

This image provided by the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department shows 73-year-old Eugene Jo.

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LOS ANGELES (AP) — A hiker who went missing in the mountains north of Los Angeles survived by wrapping himself with a jacket and towel and staying by sun-warmed rocks for heat, authorities said on Sunday. Janet Henderson of the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department Search and Rescue told KCBS-TV that Eugene Jo, 73, stayed alive for a week by getting close at night to rocks that warmed by the daytime

sun and drinking water from a creek.

"He got in close next to the hot rocks because it is very hot up there and those rocks do heat up and that's how he kept himself warm at night," Henderson said. Jo heard rescuers' voices on Saturday and yelled for help, she said. He was taken to the hospital and later released.

Jo went hiking with a group to the 8,000-foot (2,438-meter) summit of Mount Waterman on June 22 when

he became separated from them. More than 70 people were searching for him in the mountains Saturday, said Los Angeles County Sheriff's Sgt. Greg Taylor.

Jo's daughter Grace told KCBS-TV in a statement that her father was home and resting and grew emotional when he learned how many people were out looking for him.

"We're still barely comprehending the extent of this miracle," she said. □

Schumer: ATF should investigate Dominican Republic deaths

NEW YORK (AP) — The Senate's top Democrat said Sunday that the U.S. government should step up efforts to investigate the deaths of at least eight Americans in the Dominican Republic this year. The Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives should lend support to the FBI and local law enforcement, said Sen. Chuck Schumer, D-N.Y., noting the agency has offices in the Caribbean and the technical and forensic expertise that could aid

the investigation.

"Given that we still have a whole lot of questions and very few answers into just what, if anything, is cause for the recent spate of sicknesses and several deaths of Americans in the Dominican Republic, the feds should double their efforts on helping get to the bottom of things," Schumer said in a statement.

Family members of the tourists who died have called on authorities to investigate any possible connections. □

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Oregon Republican senators end walkout over carbon bill

By **ANDREW SELSKY**
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Associated Press

SALEM, Ore. (AP) — Republican lawmakers returned to the Oregon Senate on Saturday, ending an acrimonious nine-day walkout over a carbon emissions bill that would have been the second such legislation in the nation.

The boycott had escalated when the Democratic governor ordered the state

police to find and return the rogue Republicans to the Senate so the chamber could convene, and a counter-threat by one GOP senator to violently resist any such attempt. Senate Republicans fled the state to avoid being forcibly returned by the Oregon State Police, whose jurisdiction ends at the state line.

Democrats have an 18 to 12 majority in the Senate but need at least 20 mem-

bers — and therefore at least two Republicans — present to vote on legislation.

Nine minority Republicans returned to the Senate on Saturday after Senate President Peter Courtney said the majority Democrats lacked the necessary 16 votes to pass the legislation, a statewide cap on carbon that allows companies to trade pollution credits. Shortly after convening, senators quickly voted 17-10 to send the climate proposal back to committee, essentially killing it for the session.

Sen. Sara Gelser, a Democrat from the college town of Corvallis, said the demise of the cap-and-trade bill has deeply upset many constituents.

"That's a bill that's been many, many years in the making," Gelser told reporters Saturday. "I think there's a lot of heartbreak, but today is one day and we'll come back and address it. We have to. Our planet demands it."

The House had previously passed the bill, one of the centerpieces of Oregon's 2019 legislative session, which is scheduled to end late Sunday.

Republicans, who make up the minority in both chambers, uniformly opposed the proposal saying it would increase the cost of fuel and wreak financial havoc on the trucking and the logging industries.

One of the Republicans absent Saturday was Sen. Brian Boquist, who had told state police to come heavily armed and to send bachelor officers if they were going to forcibly return him to the Senate during the walkout. Senate Republican leader Herman Baertschiger, Jr., on Friday refused to condemn Bo-



Lawmakers convene at the Oregon Senate after the minority Republicans ended a walkout they had begun on June 20 over a carbon-emissions bill they said would harm their rural constituents, at the Oregon Senate in Salem, Ore., Saturday, June 29, 2019.

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quist's words, only saying the comments were unhelpful.

Boquist faces a formal complaint that will be taken up at a special committee hearing in July.

The walkout by the Republicans, which began June 20, inspired protests at the Capitol by their backers and led to the building being closed one day due to a possible militia threat.

But Senate Majority Leader Ginny Burdick said that the walkout didn't change much, as the measure didn't have enough support to get to the governor's desk even before Republicans left the statehouse.

"As the person who counts the votes, my personal sense is that the votes were not there," Burdick told reporters earlier this week.

The Republicans, though, painted their boycott as a triumph.

"Our mission in walking out was to kill cap and trade," Senate Minority Leader Herman Baertschiger told reporters Friday. "And that's what we did."

Democrats had said the climate legislation was critical

to make Oregon a leader in the fight against climate change and will ultimately create jobs and transform the economy.

The bill, if passed, would have been the second in the nation, after California, to cap and trade pollution credits among companies. It aimed to dramatically reduce greenhouse gases by 2050 by capping carbon emissions and requiring businesses to buy or trade for an ever-dwindling pool of pollution "allowances."

With only two days before the 2019 legislative session officially ends, the Senate hurried through some of the more than 100 bills and motions that were still pending. Among the measures are ones on paid family and medical leave, campaign funding, and funding for the Oregon Food Bank and for Medicaid. Other big-ticket items are a bill aimed at addressing sexual harassment in the Capitol, money to expand affordable housing and an increased tobacco tax.

The Republicans wielded power disproportionate to their numbers this session. □

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Nebraska measure could tip the number of states with casinos

LINCOLN, Neb. (AP) — Nebraska voters may decide next year whether to legalize casino gambling in a ballot measure that could tip the number of states that allow commercial gambling into the majority. Supporters of legalized casinos have launched a petition drive to place the issue on the 2020 ballot with financial backing from the economic development corporation owned by the Winnebago Tribe of Nebraska.

Twenty-five states — including neighboring Colorado, Iowa, Kansas, Missouri, and South Dakota — allow commercial casino gambling with games such as slot machines, craps and roulette wheels, according to the National Conference of State Legislatures. Iowa casinos near Omaha, in particular, cater to Nebraska residents looking to gamble.

"Hundreds of millions of dollars go across the border every year," said Lance Morgan, the CEO of Ho-Chunk Inc., the corporation pushing the measure on the tribe's behalf. "For a Nebraskan to do gaming, you have to go half a mile. It's the height of paternalism to try to restrict it." Morgan said he's confident, based on the group's internal polling, that voters will approve the measure if it appears on the ballot.

Only two states, Hawaii and Utah, have a complete ban on gambling. Nebraska is among states that allow Native American tribal casinos that are limited to bingo and card games where the house has no stake in the outcome, such as poker. Nebraska also offers keno, horse racing and a lottery. Commercial casinos, by contrast, have slot machines, craps, roulette wheels and card games such as blackjack.

The measure is certain to face opposition from leading conservatives, including Republican Gov. Pete Ricketts and former University of Nebraska football coach and athletic director Tom Osborne.

"Casinos are bad for families

and bad for business," said Nate Grasz, policy director for the Nebraska Family Alliance, a conservative policy group that plans to fight the measure. "All men and women deserve an opportunity to build the best lives for themselves, and state-sanctioned gambling robs them of that opportunity." Gambling opponents successfully defeated ballot measures in 2004 and 2006, despite being outspent by wealthy casino interests. In 2014, they challenged a gambling measure in court and persuaded the Nebraska Supreme Court to declare it unconstitutional, striking it from the ballot.

But some gambling opponents acknowledge public support has grown in recent years. "It's going to be hard," said Pat Loontjers, executive director of Gambling with the Good Life. "We've been doing this for 24 years, and, well, the atmosphere in the state has changed."

Supporters said they've changed the ballot measure to withstand a court challenge. The latest campaign will require three petitions — a constitutional amendment to allow casino gambling at state-licensed horse racing tracks and two state law changes to regulate and tax the industry. The state Supreme Court rejected a previous measure because it merged those issues onto one ballot, forcing voters to give one yes-or-no answer to multiple questions.

"We've learned from our mistakes in the past," said Bob Moser, president of the Nebraska Horsemen's Benevolent and Protective Association. "We have a really good plan and great partners, and we're very optimistic about our chances this time."

Moser said allowing casinos at state-licensed horse racing tracks would increase purse sizes and make horse races larger and more competitive, and thus revive the struggling industry. A similar effort failed to gain enough signatures in 2016, but independent observers blame poor management, not a lack of support. □



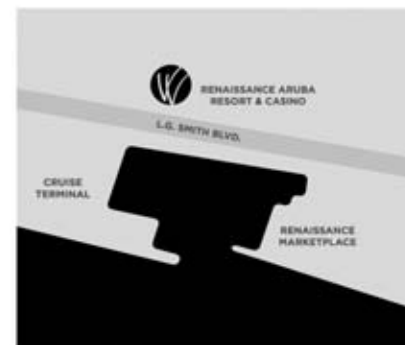
In this June 28, 2019 photo, the Ameristar Casino in Council Bluffs, Iowa, is seen across the river from downtown Omaha, Neb., rear, where casino gambling is prohibited.

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EU leaders caught in bind weighing candidates for top jobs

By LORNE COOK
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BRUSSELS (AP) — European Union leaders struggled Sunday to narrow down a list of candidates for key posts at the helm of the 28-nation bloc amid deep divisions over how to best balance political, geographic and gender considerations.

Some five hours after leaders began arriving at EU headquarters in Brussels, the full summit still had not gotten underway. Leaders met in pairs or huddled in groups, looking for ways to break an impasse in the selection process.

The summit was the third in just over a month aimed at nailing down the appointments to the EU's top jobs. They include picking a replacement for Jean-Claude Juncker as president of the EU's powerful executive arm, the European Commission, and for Donald Tusk as head of the agenda-setting European



Dutch Prime Minister Mark Rutte, center, speaks with the media as he arrives for an EU summit in Brussels, Sunday, June 30, 2019.

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Council.

Some leaders also discussed the roster of upcoming vacancies, which will include the EU's top diplomat, the president of the European Parliament

and the chief of the European Central Bank, on the sidelines of the Group of 20 summit in Japan that concluded Saturday.

Tusk and Juncker's mandates expire at the end of

October. Asked about likely candidates for Juncker's job at the European Commission, Dutch Prime Minister Mark Rutte said Sunday, "That's a moving picture." "You think that one candi-

date or another possibly has the best chance and it keeps shifting," he added. French President Emmanuel Macron called for a "spirit of compromise and above all ambition" as the leaders look to name what he described as "the new Team Europe."

"There should be two men and two women" candidates for four of the five posts up for grabs in coming weeks, he said.

Macron, like Rutte, declined to say who he was backing.

The discussions about who should take over at the EU's helm for the next five years and beyond could go well into the night, if not through it, warned Tusk, who was chairing the meeting.

He wants nominations to be wrapped up soon, seeking to prevent further erosion of public confidence in the EU amid Brexit uncertainty and intra-bloc divisions over managing migration. The task will not be easy. □

Turkey says 6 nationals held in Libya, vows to respond



In this Wednesday, June 26, 2019 file photo, Turkish Defense Minister Hulusi Akar, center left, arrives to NATO headquarters in Brussels.

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ISTANBUL (AP) — Turkey said Sunday that six of its nationals were being held by a Libyan force and vowed to respond to any attacks on its vessels or interests.

The Turkish Foreign Ministry said in a statement it would consider Field Marshal Khalifa Hifter's "illegal militia forces" to be "legitimate targets" if the Turks are not released.

Earlier, Turkish Defense Minister Hulusi Akar said there would be "heavy" consequences to any "hostile at-

titude or attacks."

His comments came after a spokesman for Hifter's self-styled Libyan National Army called Turkish assets in Libya "legitimate targets," accusing Turkey of helping rival militias allied with the U.N.-supported government. Hifter's forces have received aid from Egypt, the United Arab Emirates, Russia and France.

Akar said Turkey was in Libya to support "regional peace and stability." His comments were carried by the official Anadolu news agency. The

LNA controls much of eastern and southern Libya. In April it launched an offensive against Tripoli, where a weak, U.N.-aligned government is based.

Authorities in areas under Hifter's control asked Turkish nationals to leave the country.

Libya's parliament, which is based in the east and allied with Hifter's forces, barred all ministries, state institutions and banks from dealing with Turkish companies and ordered a ban on Turkish exports. □



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UN chief warns Paris climate goals still not enough

Associated Press

ABU DHABI, United Arab Emirates (AP) — U.N. Sec-

retary-General Antonio Guterres took his global message urging immediate climate action to officials gathered in the United Arab Emirates on Sunday, where production of hydrocarbons remains a key driver of the economy.

Guterres is calling on governments to stop building new coal plants by 2020, cut greenhouse emissions by 45% over the next decade and overhauling fossil fuel-driven economies with new technologies like solar and wind. The world, he said, "is facing a grave climate emergency."

In remarks at a summit in Abu Dhabi, he painted a grim picture of how rapidly climate change is advancing, saying it is outpacing efforts to address it. He lauded the Paris climate



United Nations Secretary General Antonio Guterres, right, follows the UAE Youth Minister, Shamma Al Mazrim as they take the stage at the opening ceremony of the United Nations climate change summit in Abu Dhabi, United Arab Emirates, Sunday, June 30, 2019.

Associated Press

accord, but said even if its promises are fully met, the world still faces what he described as a catastrophic

three-degree temperature rise by the end of the century.

Arctic permafrost is melting

decades earlier than even worst-case scenarios, he said, threatening to unlock vast amounts of methane,

a greenhouse gas.

"It is plain to me that we have no time to lose," Guterres said. "Sadly, it is not yet plain to all the decision makers that run our world."

He spoke at the opulent Emirates Palace, where Abu Dhabi was hosting a preparatory meeting for the U.N. Climate Action Summit in September. Guterres was expected to later take a helicopter ride to view Abu Dhabi's Noor solar power plant.

When asked, U.N. representatives said the lavish Abu Dhabi summit and his planned helicopter ride would be carbon neutral, meaning their effects would be balanced by efforts like planting trees and sequestering emissions. The UN says carbon dioxide emissions account for around 80% of global warming. □

Sudan's protesters take to streets against army rule

By **HUSSEIN MALLA**

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Associated Press

KHARTOUM, Sudan (AP) —

Tens of thousands of protesters took to the streets on Sunday in Sudan's capital and elsewhere in the country calling for civilian rule, nearly three months after the army forced out the autocrat Omar al-Bashir.

The demonstrations came amid a weeks-long standoff between the ruling military council and protest leaders. Talks between the two sides over a power-sharing agreement collapsed earli-

er this month when security forces violently broke up a protest camp in Khartoum. The ensuing clampdown killed at least 128 people cross the county, according to protest organizers. Authorities say the toll was 61, including three security forces.

The marches also mark the 30th anniversary of the Islamist-backed coup that brought al-Bashir to power in 1989, toppling Sudan's last elected government. The military removed al-Bashir in April amid mass protests against his rule.

The crowds gathered at several points across the capital and its sister city of Omdurman, before marching toward the homes of those people killed since the uprising began. At first, the movement erupted in December over a failing economy and al-Bashir's 30-year rule, and then stayed in the streets to protest the generals who replaced him.

On Sunday, protesters chanted anti-military slogans like "Burhan's council, just fall", according to video clips circulated online. □



Sudanese Gen. Abdel-Fattah Burhan, head of the military council, speaks during a military-backed rally, in Omdurman district, west of Khartoum, Sudan, Saturday, June 29, 2019.

Associated Press

Migrants stranded in Libya endure sewage, maggots, disease



In this May 21, 2019 photo provided by an African migrant, hundreds of migrants stage a protest in a detention center in the town of Zintan, western Libya, appealing for help from the United Nations.

Associated Press

By **MAGGIE MICHAEL**

CAIRO (AP) — For hundreds of African migrants, dreams of a new life in Europe have instead ended in a detention center in the remote desert of war-torn Libya, where they say they have been held for months amid raw sewage, piles of garbage, disease, maggots and barely enough food to survive.

Their plight, detailed in interviews with The Associated Press and social media images leaked last month, brings new attention to the waves of migrants from across Africa who have flowed into Libya in recent years seeking passage across the Mediterranean to Europe — and the highly effective efforts to stop them in their tracks.

"Our life is worse and terrible from day to day," wrote an Eritrean migrant who is among 700 held in the detention center run by one of Libya's militias out of a complex dominated by a hangar near the western town of Zintan.

Others who spoke on condition of anonymity because they feared retribution said in texts to the AP that at least 22 migrants have died since September — a figure confirmed by United Nations and Doctors Without Borders aid workers — and that at least 100 migrants were sick with disease, mainly tuberculosis. Some migrants said the center includes 100 minors who live

side by side with adults.

"We need emergency evacuation from Zintan," one told the AP. "We suffer physically, mentally and emotionally."

Photos and videos taken by migrants showed heaps of garbage in the hangar, parts of the center flooded with sewage and plates of food crawling with maggots. The hangar had only four toilets, along with buckets for detainees to urinate in.

Migrants said they were not allowed out to see the sun, and the head of the center would often deprive them of food and water for days as a form of punishment. Those who were given food got only a small plate of pasta or couscous each day and had to share water that a few detainees were allowed to fetch once a day in buckets.

Internal memos and emails obtained by the AP show disagreement among aid agencies over conditions at the center, with one nonprofit working on behalf of the United Nations denying there was lack of food, even as it acknowledged it had not been able to see most of the migrants held there.

Migrants in the Zintan center and their advocates accused U.N. aid agencies of being slow to respond or forgetting them altogether. But the U.N. refugee agency, or UNHCR, disputes that, saying the Libyan mi-

litias who run the facility have denied their workers access to all parts of it.

UNHCR chief Filippo Grandi told the AP that after photos from inside the site emerged last month, the agency intervened and evacuated 96 migrants from a separate building at the facility where it had access. They were sent to the one U.N.-run center for migrants in Tripoli.

"It is not because of lack of will or not even because of lack of resources," Grandi said. "Access in Libya is the fundamental obstacle to saving more lives."

Col. Nasser Nakoua, part of the militias who run the detention center in Zintan, denied there was any lack of access to the facility.

"Those saying that they have no access are just lying. The doors are open, and we want the agencies to come and help or just shut the place down, because there is severe shortage in everything," he told the AP by phone.

He blamed the government, which is nominally in control of the facility, for failing to fund its operations. "We received nothing from Department for Combating Illegal Migration," he said, referring to the body in charge of the facilities, "not a single penny."

Libya became a major crossing point for migrants to Europe after the ouster and killing of longtime dictator Moammar Gadhafi in

2011, when the North African nation was thrown into chaos, armed militias proliferated and central authority fell apart.

Currently, a U.N.-aligned but weak administration in Tripoli oversees the west, where Zintan is located, but much of its powers are in the hands of militias. Eastern Libya is controlled by a rival government aligned with the self-styled Libyan National Army led by Field Marshal Khalifa Hifter, who in April launched an offensive on Tripoli.

Some human rights advocates blame the European Union for the migrant crisis because it has funded Libya's coast guard to stop the crossers at sea. That effort has been highly effective, with the number of people entering the EU via the central Mediterranean cut from 180,000 in 2016 to 23,400 last year and just 880 in the first four months of this year, according to the EU border agency Frontex.

At least 6,000 migrants from such nations as Eritrea, Ethiopia, Somalia and Sudan are locked in dozens of detention facilities run by militias accused of torture and other human rights abuses. And that comes after often-arduous journeys at the mercy of traffickers who are known to abuse migrants and hold them for ransom money from families back home.

The EU said in a statement that it is not ignoring what

it described as the "dire" situation of refugees and migrants stranded in Libya. It said it has repeatedly denounced inhumane conditions in detention centers and demanded their closure.

Responding to questions from the AP, the EU said a joint task force with the African Union and the United Nations is seeking safer alternatives for migrants outside Libya, including by stepping up evacuations and legal resettlement.

Grandi said UNHCR has succeeded in sending 4,000 migrants to Niger to await resettlement, while the International Organization for Migration has helped some 35,000 return to their home countries.

But for those in Zintan, little has changed. The facility, originally a youth summer camp, has such a bad reputation that migrants in other detention centers caught in the crossfire of fighting between Libya's warring factions refuse to be sent there.

"They prefer to die under bombs and not go through the slow death in Zintan," said Giulia Tranchina, a human rights lawyer from the UK-based Wilsons Solicitors who has been in direct contact with migrants trapped in Zintan and other places.

An official with International Medical Corps said in memos obtained by AP that it had established a clinic at a smaller building at the center and was providing health care. He said reports of lack of food and water were untrue, though quality was poor, and that guards sometimes withheld water as punishment.

He acknowledged that his group could not get into the hangar where most of the migrants were held until last month, and that it was up to guards to bring out detainees for medical treatment.

But Doctors Without Borders, an aid agency that did manage to visit the detention facility, said it found several malnourished migrants and confirmed the tuberculosis outbreak. □

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DMZ, where Trump met Kim, is a vestige of Cold War

By HYUNG-JIN KIM
Associated Press

SEOUL, South Korea (AP)

— The Demilitarized Zone, where President Donald Trump met North Korean leader Kim Jong Un on Sunday, may be the most heavily fortified strip of land in the world and serves as an uneasy and occasionally bloody borderline between the two Koreas.

There isn't much demilitarized about it: A minefield laced with barbed wire, it's guarded by combat-ready troops on both sides and has been the site of numerous, sometimes deadly gunbattles and skirmishes. U.S. presidents and other top officials have often travelled to the DMZ to reaffirm their commitment to the defense of ally South Korea in times of hostility with North Korea.

The venue of the third Trump-Kim meeting was the Korean border village of Panmunjom. Last year, Kim stepped over into the southern side of Panmunjom for a summit with South Korean President Moon Jae-in, becoming the first North Korean leader to set foot on South Korean land. On Sunday, Trump became the first U.S. president to cross over the demarcation line into the North Korean territory.

Here's a look at a border that was once again a part

of history:

DMZ ORIGIN

The DMZ, which runs across the Korean Peninsula, is 248 kilometers (154 miles) long and the 4 kilometers (2.5 miles) wide. Created as a buffer at the close of the 1950-53 Korean War, it's jointly overseen by the American-led U.N. Command and North Korea. Hundreds of thousands of North and South Korean troops are now deployed along the DMZ, which is littered with an estimated 2 million mines, tank traps, razor wire fences and guard posts.

It's extremely rare for anyone to cross the DMZ in unauthorized areas. More than 30,000 North Koreans have escaped to South Korea for political and economic reasons since the war's end, but mostly via the North's long, porous border with China.

Violence was more common in the Cold War, but a 2015 land mine blast blamed on North Korea maimed two South Korean soldiers and pushed the rival Koreas to the brink of an armed conflict.

As relations improved last year, Kim and Moon agreed on several deals aimed at reducing animosity at the border.

PANMUNJOM

Inside the DMZ, Panmunjom has been the venue for past high-level talks. It's somewhat safer than other areas, and it is just an hour's drive from Seoul. Most past DMZ visits by U.S. presidents and other officials happened at Panmunjom and nearby areas. North and South Korean troops stand only several meters (yards) away from each other there. They once carried pistols, but since last year's deals they aren't armed. Panmunjom is also where an armistice was signed to stop the Korean War. That armistice has yet to be replaced with a peace treaty, leaving the Korean Peninsula in a technical state of war. About 28,500 American troops are still stationed in South Korea. Panmunjom is 52 kilometers (32 miles) north of Seoul and 147 kilometers (91 miles) south of Pyongyang. Since the armistice, more than 830 rounds of talks have been held in various Panmunjom conference rooms.

PAST PRESIDENTIAL VISITS

In 1993, President Bill Clinton visited Panmunjom when the North Korean nuclear crisis first flared. In 2002, President George W. Bush visited the DMZ a few weeks after he labeled North Korea part of an "axis of evil." □



President Donald Trump meets with North Korean leader Kim Jong Un and South Korean President Moon Jae-in, right, at the border village of Panmunjom in the Demilitarized Zone, South Korea, Sunday, June 30, 2019.

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Amid crisis, Haiti fights to save oil used in fine perfumes

By DÁNICA COTO

Associated Press

LES CAYES, Haiti (AP) —

High up in the hills of rural Haiti, where some women sit topless on porches and bleating goats break the silence, a group of men gather roots to produce an essential oil used in fine perfumes ranging from Chanel to Guerlain.

Then they load heavy bales of the beige, stringy roots culled from the vetiver plant on each other's backs as clouds of dirt envelop their bodies and a deep musty smell fills the air.

In the poorest country of the Western Hemisphere, this is ground zero for a multimillion-dollar industry responsible for more than half the world's vetiver oil.

"It's our biggest income right now," said Hilaire James, a Haitian agronomist with Catholic Relief Services. "I call it legal cocaine."

Vetiver oil — which is also used for cosmetics, soaps and aromatherapy — is the one bright spot in a flailing agricultural industry in Haiti beset by widespread erosion, lack of funding and extreme weather conditions including droughts and floods.

But the country's deepening economic crisis is now threatening a sector that generates an estimated \$12 million a year and employs anywhere from



In this May 27, 2019 photo, Alsonce Jeune 32, extracts vetiver oil, used in fine perfumes, in Les Cayes, Haiti.

Associated Press

15,000 to 60,000 farmers, the majority of whom are based in the southwest region where good soil, mild temperatures and ocean winds allow fields to flourish. While it takes at least a year for vetiver roots to reach their ideal length to produce a top golden-brown oil, a number of farmers are unable to wait a full year to get paid. As a result, they are increasingly harvesting plants too early in the season, possibly affecting the oil's quality, said Hervil Cherubin, director of Heifer International charity in Haiti.

"This is the hardest part,"

he said. "If we can't keep the quality of the product, the whole industry will collapse."

Haiti produces more than 70 tons of vetiver oil a year, surpassing Indonesia, China, India, Brazil and the neighboring Dominican Republic. It is one of the country's top exports, with up to 10,000 hectares (24,700 acres) harvested annually. But more than 60% of the crop still comes from individual producers, many of whom are struggling financially, according to Gabriel Gelin, a spokesman for the United Nations Environment Program in Haiti.

"Desperate producers, in order to seek out additional income, cannot wait for an annual cultivation and end up extracting the roots earlier," he said in a statement. The majority of vetiver farmers make less than \$2 a day, with 90% overall saying the crop is their sole income, according to a 2018 study commissioned by Heifer International and New York-based International Flavors & Fragrance, Inc. Many of those farmers have been hit hard by Haiti's record inflation and face steep increases in the price of food, utilities and transportation. Among them is Richard

Lelion, a 59-year-old who has been working in vetiver fields in the mountains that surround the coastal city of Les Cayes since the age of 10. He has seven children, including three sons who used to help him but have since migrated to the South American country of Chile in search of a better life. For now, they are able to send him enough money so he can keep buying roots and planting them.

"Everything is expensive," Lelion said, adding that there are no other jobs in the area. "Death is the only thing that will separate us from vetiver."

On a recent weekday, a rooster crowed as women carried buckets of water on their heads and workers hunched over hundreds of thousands of grass-like vetiver plants. The plant is in the same family as corn and sugarcane, and it grows up to 5 feet (1.5 meters) tall, with the roots pushing as far as 13 feet (4 meters) deep in the denuded brown hills. Some workers hacked the growth with a machete while others pulled up roots that were then beaten with a wooden club to clear the dirt. Before the oil can be bought by top perfumers, roots must also be distilled to their essence in a process that takes more than 24 hours.

Thomas Absolue, 64, leaned against a bale of roots as he ate rice from a small, recycled plastic tub. He used to harvest sugarcane in the Dominican Republic before returning to Haiti in 1982, lured by the essential oil.

"Vetiver gave me everything I have: house, school for kids, food for my family," he said. "As long as I'm alive, I'll work in vetiver fields. It's what saves us."

But increasingly early harvests are also leading to erosion, yet another problem threatening the industry. While the vetiver plant is known for helping prevent soil from wearing away, culling it too soon worsens the issue, especially if entire plots are pulled up at one time, which happens often. □

Thousands rally to back Brazil's president, justice minister



A supporter of Brazilian President Jair Bolsonaro holds a sign in favor of Justice Minister Sergio Moro, during a pro-government rally along Copacabana beach in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, Sunday, June 30, 2019.

Associated Press

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RIO DE JANEIRO (AP) —

Supporters of President Jair Bolsonaro have taken to the streets by the thousands in several cities to defend the government and its justice minister, who faces accusations of he'd acted improperly while overseeing corruption allegations as a judge.

Justice Minister Sergio Moro tweeted acknowledgment of the crowds, saying "I see. I hear," along with photos of a mass rally in Rio de Ja-

neiro.

The online news site The Intercept published leaked messages it says show Moro while a judge worked too closely with prosecutors in going after leftist former President Luiz Inacio Lula da Silva, whom he convicted of corruption.

Demonstrators said they doubted the content of the leaks and suggested they were part of an effort to end the sweeping crackdown on corruption that Moro led. □

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ORANJESTAD — Daniel Tecklenborg is the director of CEDE Aruba, a dynamic community foundation, and supporting nonprofits in Aruba since 1986. They initiated a visitor charity program meaning that you can help build Aruba's community strong by doing a donation to good causes. The Aruba Timeshare Association (Atsa) collaborates with them. This Happy Community Initiative will be a platform for all visitors who would like to make a donation, but also volunteer in the future. The priority is set to support projects for the Aruban youth. CEDE Aruba will make sure that the donations reach meaningful projects of local non-profits and upon quality and transparent finances of the offered programs. This way you can be assured that your donation will hit its goal!

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youngsters do not travel often and experience boredom and lack of activities during school vacations. Furthermore, 4 out of 10 Aruban youngsters do not finish secondary school. This is a very big issue for Aruba's future economy and the tourism industry.

During a recent investigation, more than 60% of Aruba's youth is asking for afterschool programs, aiming at sports, cooking, art programs and a safe place to hang out with friends. More than 50 non-profit organizations are motivated to contribute to a national program. Your donation will help us to start and support after school programs with a focus on time for homework and diverse, meaningful activities. In addition, your donation will support mentorship activities during school vacation and support projects aiming at youth at risk. Last but not least, your donation will support projects that reduce the amounts of school dropouts and create new opportunities for youngsters to integrate back in education and to find a career in one of Aruba's countless companies

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At least ten reef-associated shark species in the Dutch Caribbean



Nurse shark on the Saba Bank which is part of the Yarari Marine Mammal and Shark Sanctuary.
Photo credit: Hans Leijnse (SHAPE/DCNA)

WAGENINGEN, THE NETHERLANDS — Wageningen Marine Research reported ten reef-associated shark spe-

cies in the Dutch Caribbean in a recent published study as part of Dutch Caribbean Nature Alliance (DCNA)'s

Save Our Sharks Project. The most common species are the nurse shark and the Caribbean reef shark. Overall, more sharks were observed in conservation areas than in unprotected areas, highlighting the importance of these zones in shark conservation.

More than 100 million sharks are killed each year as a result of fishing and shark finning activities, twice the rate at which they can reproduce. The demand for fins and other shark products has driven a number of species close to extinction. Sharks are especially vulnerable to overfishing and habitat degradation as they are late to mature and produce few young. The main threats to sharks

in our waters are accidental bycatch, habitat degradation and the risk of a shark fin market developing, which would lead to targeted fishing of sharks.

We need healthy oceans and healthy oceans need sharks

Sharks keep our oceans healthy. These top predators remove sick or weak members of their prey populations. A decrease in number of sharks leads to a disturbed natural balance in the sea. This can affect the overall fish population, and good fish stocks are not only important for fishermen that depend on fishing but also for (dive) tourism and the local community.

Respect, not fear, sharks

Sharks are some of the most misunderstood species. For generations sharks had an undeserved bad reputation. People tend to see them as terrifying animals that pose a danger to everything that swims in the ocean, including humans. But we now know that is very far from the truth; these magnificent creatures are essential to healthy oceans and risks to humans are small.

DCNA's Save Our Sharks Project

There is a lack of knowledge concerning the distribution and abundance of shark and ray species throughout the Dutch Caribbean. To combat this knowledge gap, from 2015-2018, DCNA ran the "Save our Sharks" (SOS) project for the Dutch Caribbean, funded by the Dutch Post-code Lottery. In this project DCNA collaborated with local fisherman and scientists and aimed to build popular support for shark and ray conservation amongst the local community, as well as increasing knowledge about shark and ray species within the region by conducting a number of research projects.

Shark Research

A recently published study by Wageningen Marine Re-

search as part of DCNA's SOS Project established a baseline for current shark diversity, distribution, abundance, spatial behaviour and population structure for inshore reefs around the Dutch Caribbean islands.

There were two methods used by the researchers to study sharks. One method used Baited Remote Underwater Video (BRUV) which used a device consisting of two cameras set in front of a baited feed bag. The idea is that as sharks come near the bait bag to feed, video footage can be collected to identify and count local shark populations. The other method was acoustic telemetry to track sharks. In this method, a small acoustic tracking device is implanted within the shark. Acoustic receivers are installed at specific locations, and whenever sharks with these transmitters travel near the receiver (within a range of 450 to 850 metres) they are recorded.

The first studies using BRUV were conducted on Saba, Saba Bank and St. Eustatius to better understand the local population of sharks and rays and their relative abundances, and were funded by the Dutch Government. Starting in 2015, as part of the SOS project, additional studies were conducted to include the waters around Bonaire, Curaçao and Sint Maarten. In 2017 a BRUV survey was done at Aruba, financed by Global Finprint.

In addition, as part of the SOS project, acoustic telemetry was also used to better understand the movements of sharks, habitat use, migration and connectivity between islands. The telemetry study tracked two shark species, Caribbean reef shark (*Carcharhinus perezi*) and nurse shark (*Ginglymostoma cirratum*) around Saba (from 2014) and then around Saba Bank, Sint Maarten and Sint Eustatius (from 2015).

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Findings

In BRUVs deployed around Sint Maarten, Curaçao and Bonaire the most common detected shark species were Caribbean reef shark, with Sint Maarten also frequently showing nurse sharks. Overall, more sharks were observed in marine parks or areas of conservation than in unprotected areas, highlighting the importance of these zones in shark conservation. Furthermore, when comparing the BRUV surveys from Sint Maarten, Curaçao and Bonaire to previous BRUV studies from Aruba, Saba, Sint Eustatius and Saba Bank, it showed that the Aruba survey had the largest shark diversity (8 species) and the Bonaire survey the lowest (2 species). The Saba survey documented 5 shark species, Saba bank had 4 shark species with Curaçao, Sint Eustatius and Sint Maarten each registering 3 shark species. There was an additional BRUV submarine test at 300 metres deep off

Curaçao which found an additional shark species (Cuban dogfish). In total, at least 10 shark species were seen within the Dutch Caribbean in the different BRUV surveys.

The acoustic telemetry studies demonstrated that both the Caribbean reef shark and nurse shark have small home ranges and strong site fidelity. Large crossings between areas were rare, and found for two Caribbean reef sharks and one nurse shark which travelled between Saba and Saba bank. The two Caribbean reef sharks made short directed journeys back and forth, whereas the nurse shark after two years absence showed up at the Saba Bank before returning to Saba. One nurse shark from another study on the US Virgin Islands was detected in the network on the Saba Bank, a distance of at least 160 kilometres.

Importance of Protected Areas

Both the BRUV and acous-

tic telemetry studies showed higher presence of reef associated sharks within the conservation zones, along with high site fidelity and small home ranges. Furthermore, as some longer distance movements were also documented, interconnectivity between

these areas is just beginning to be understood. The ongoing study on acoustic telemetry (funded by the Ministry of Agriculture, Nature and Food Quality (LNV)) will yield more data on this. Therefore, not only are local marine parks crucial for the conservation

efforts of sharks and rays, but larger conservation networks, such as the Yarari Marine Mammal and Shark Sanctuary which comprises all the waters of Bonaire, Saba and Sint Eustatius, are vital to protect entire populations. □



Caribbean reef shark in the Man of War Shoal Marine Park, Sint Maarten.
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Social Struggle

When young adult's parents are not able to guide their kids or when children lack experienced parenthood to raise in a healthy environment, Casa Cuna Progreso can help. A new psychological guideline

program has started, designed to treat the child according to their behavior and social education. Up till now this program is provided also to the biological parents, when these are willing to learn about parenthood. Mrs. Quilin Arends, director of Casa Cuna since 2013, and Marieke van der Linden-Bezemer, psychologist of Casa Cuna explain to Aruba Today: "We believe in the idea of helping these kids by educating the parents." Yet they also give parents a break up by accepting these children in the institution for the necessary period of time until they are ready to take over. Foster parenting is an option for other individuals who want to be in the life of these kids to create an impact and bring happiness to their lives without being away from their biological parents. For the community this is a way of creating a conscious and prepared generation for the future.

Challenges

Arends: "The biggest challenge are the finances in order to continue the good work and the recruitment of specialized personnel for the care of the kids". According to Van der Linden intergenerational passing can be treated, however it remains a challenge among the kids due to the social problems within each kid's home. Activities are being implemented to allow the child to express their emotions freely and learn how to release their stress with a proper conduct.

Teenage Mother House

Casa Cuna is aiming to develop a new project which consist of the building of a new location for young mothers. In order to help other institutions and have a proper and organized storage they would need a 40 feet container. "If you can be touched by the smile of a child as we do,

we invite you to support our institution, let's be the change together. Love is the only and greatest motivation when you want to see changes in your community, when you love others, you are not just cre-

ating an environment for those whom you are loving, but you are creating a platform for the future, you are giving the world a plant which will never be pulled away". □



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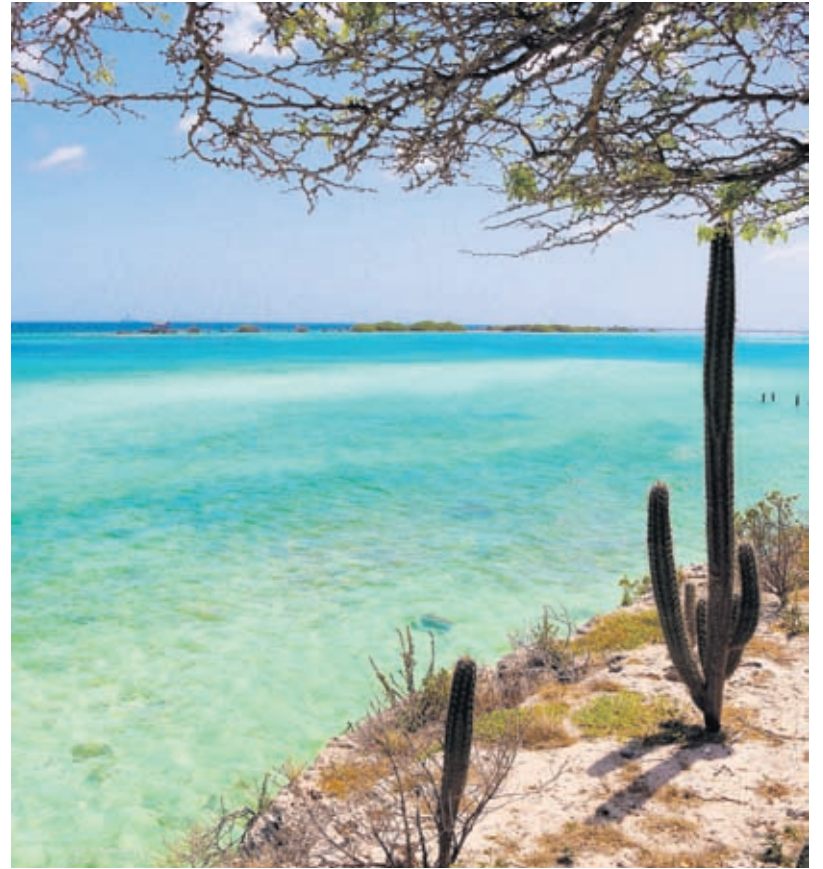


The pink color in sunset



After taking so many landscape photos for the last 25 years you can predict what the sunset will look like. You can predict the kinds of colors that the sunset will have and how hot the day will be. **My Grandfather was a fisherman and he gave me the first indicators how hot the day will be by observing the sunrise.** But out of experience I can say that the pink color in our sunset will occur when it rains during midday which happens in the months of April, September-November and with heavy sunlight after it. The effect of the rain and heavy sunlight will produce more reflection at sunset and you will see a really pinkish sunset. Two weeks ago on Sunday we had a pinkish sunset due to rain at midday and the sunset was amazingly stunning.

Mangel Halto



This is one of my favorite beaches on the island and a must visit when in Aruba. There are many things that make this beach special. Mangel Halto has a nice sandy beach that will have a pinky color around 12:30pm. Lots of the evergreen mangroves, a dock where you can dive into the sea. Also one of the only places where you can snorkel and see live conch shells at the bottom of the sea. The only beach where you can see 8 tonality of blue and you must see it for yourself. If you love photography just like I do, this is the place to be!

The French Pass



Rooi Frances, as we locals call it, is very nice but don't go at night! Some claimed to hear voices and so but I have never seen nor hear nothing. Many Indians were killed during an island's invasion by French pirates in the early 17th century. This was shot at sunset by me standing in the muddy swamp all by myself and I stayed there till dark that Saturday night.

Boca Grandi Beach



This beach is superb for kite surfing and if you have a chance to visit it on Sundays you will see a colorful sky full of kite surfers. The wind and angle of this beach are just perfect for this kind of sports. **Kite surfing is a kind of a community/buddy sport and is for sure a good chance to learn a new water sport.** Boca Grandi is on your left when you are in front of the red anchor on your way to Baby Beach. ☐

SPORTS



Nate Lashley drives on the second tee during the final round of the Rocket Mortgage Classic golf tournament, Sunday, June 30, 2019, in Detroit.
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Lashley leads wire-to-wire in Detroit for 1st PGA Tour win

By LARRY LAGE
AP Sports Writer

DETROIT (AP) — Nate Lashley completed an unlikely wire-to-wire victory in the Rocket Mortgage Classic on Sunday for his first PGA Tour title.

Lashley closed with a 2-under 70 to finish at 25-under 263 and win by six shots, the margin he took into the day after opening with rounds of 63, 67 and 63.

The 36-year-old Lashley's parents and girlfriend were killed in a plane crash 15 years ago. He dabbled in real estate after graduating from the University of Arizona, quit playing professional golf several years ago and resumed playing in the PGA Tour's minor leagues.

"Without my parents, I wouldn't have started playing golf when I was little," said Lashley, who began playing when he was 8. "They did everything to help me have a career."

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London Sweep

Yankees rule Britannia, complete London sweep of Red Sox

New York Yankees right fielder Aaron Judge, left, and relief pitcher Aroldis Chapman celebrate after their 12-8 win during a baseball game in London, Sunday, June 30, 2019.

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Monday qualifier Doc Redman shot a 67 to finish second. Rory Sabbatini (68) and Wes Roach (68) were another stroke back.

Lashley, the 353rd ranked player in the world, slipped into PGA Tour's first event in Detroit as an alternate Wednesday.

The Nebraskan took full advantage, shooting a career-low 63 in the first round to take a lead he refused to lose at Detroit Golf Club. Lashley stayed atop the leaderboard with a 67 on Friday and gave himself a cushion with another 9-under 63 Saturday.

On the brink of breaking through during his second PGA Tour season, his sister, girlfriend, buddies and family friends flew to Detroit to join him.

Brooke Lashley, who lives near her brother in Arizona, was in awe of as fans followed and cheered for her little brother as they stood along the ropes from tee to green.

"I'm sure a lot of these people didn't know him a couple days ago," she said, standing near the No. 8 green. "He's doing all he can to focus, but this is so incredible. It's foreign to him because he's never had this much attention. He's never played in front of a gallery like this with TV cameras all over the place."

In 2014, parents Rod and Char Lashley and girlfriend Leslie Hofmeister, all of Scottsbluff, Nebraska, were missing for three days before their bodies and the wreckage were found near the 13,780-foot Gannett Peak in Wyoming after watching him play in a tournament for the University of Arizona.

"It rocked our community," recalled Helen Reinhardt, a family friend from Nebraska.

Reinhardt and her husband, Jim, boarded a charter plane in Nebraska that stopped in Minnesota to pick up Lashley's girlfriend and arrived in the Motor City on Sunday.

"It's great to be here to watch his dream come true after watching him play in the Dakotas Tour and work his way up to here," said Jeff Peck, one of about a dozen of Lashley's friends

at Detroit Golf Club.

Lashley made a living as a real estate agent after graduating from Arizona and his playing career started, stopped and resumed again. He won the Waterloo Open, a professional tournament, in Iowa in 2011 and quit competitive golf the next year.

When Lashley was flipping houses, he thought his playing career was over.

Lashley gave the game another shot, playing on the PGA Tour Latinoamérica circuit in 2015 and moved up to what is now called the Korn Ferry Tour two years later.

"The Latin American tour changed his trajectory," Brooke Lashley said. "It was tough with all the travel to a lot of different countries, but it gave him the chance to get here."

He made his PGA Tour debut last season in his mid-



Nate Lashley hits from the gallery onto the second green during the final round of the Rocket Mortgage Classic golf tournament, Sunday, June 30, 2019, in Detroit.

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30s, but he had to end his year after 17 events because of a knee injury. He tied for eighth in February in the Puerto Rico Open — played opposite the World Golf Championships-Mexico Championship — for his only top-10 finish previously on the tour. He started the

tournament No. 132 in the FedEx Cup standings.

Lashley would've had to collapse and one of the contenders would've had to have a sensational performance to put the final result in doubt.

Neither happened.

Lashley played it safe, put-

ting together a conservative round that kept his comfortable lead.

He made a slow-rolling, downhill putt from 15 feet to birdie the first hole. At No. 3, he started confidently walking toward the cup before his 10-foot birdie putt went in to put him at 25 under.

"The birdies on 1 and 3 really calmed me down," Lashley said. Lashley had two bogeys on the front nine — one more than he had the previous three rounds — and coasted to victory on the back with two birdies and no bogeys.

Family and friends stood near the edge of the green as he closed out the round. Lashley's girlfriend and sister, choking back tears, went onto the green to give him a hug.

"I'm just real emotional," he said later. "I'm just thankful I got in the tournament." □

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New York Yankees vs. Boston Red Sox

By **RONALD BLUM**
AP Baseball Writer

LONDON (AP) — Britain treasures tradition, and the New York Yankees wrapped up Major League Baseball's first trip to Europe with one of their sport's classic customs: a late-inning pinstriped comeback.

Gary Sánchez hit a go-ahead, two-run single in a nine-run seventh, and the Yankees overcome a four-run deficit to beat the Boston Red Sox 12-8 Sunday for a two-game sweep of the groundbreaking, high-scoring trek across the pond.

"It was a pretty cool experience," Yankees right fielder Aaron Judge said.

DJ LeMahieu doubled off Marcus Walden (6-1) leading off the seventh and hit a two-run double against Josh Taylor later in the inning as the Yankees opened an 11-4 lead, sending 14 batters to the plate in their highest-scoring inning in four years.

"The energy never let up," Yankees manager Aaron Boone said. "It felt like a huge event, these two games."

Boston and New York combined for 50 runs in the whack-y games, four more than in any previous consecutive matchups of the rivals. Batters totaled 65 hits, 15 doubles and 10 homers over 18 innings that took 9 hours, 6 minutes to play out at Olympic Stadium, the Coors Field of Europe.

While "Sweet Caroline" in the eighth inning brought the atmosphere of Fenway Park, the final out triggered the playing of "New York, New York," making it seem like a summer night in the Bronx. The games at the home of the soccer club West Ham drew 118,718, a mix mostly of Americans who flew over and Britons. "Like I was telling the guys yesterday, it felt like a soccer match at the end, so it was pretty cool," said New York's Didi Gregorius, who went deep against Ryan Brasier in the eighth and extended New York's record streak of games with home runs to 31.

New York won the opener



New York Yankees' Gary Sanchez hits a two-RBI single against the Boston Red Sox during the seventh inning of a baseball game in London, Sunday, June 30, 2019.

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17-13 after taking an 11-run lead and the finale after going ahead 12-4. Zack Britton ruled Britannia both days, escaping eighth-inning trouble with the tying run at the plate. New York relied on an Old Chap — Aroldis Chapman — who closed out each game and struck out the final three batters Sunday.

"I did not think I would pitch in both games, winning by that many runs," Chapman said through a translator. Built for the 2012 Olympics, the stadium was designed for minimal wind, leading to speculation that might have been a factor in pitchers' difficulty locating breaking balls. The temperature dropped to a more normal 73 degrees at first pitch — 20 below Saturday's scorcher. Shadows, glare, white seats and a swift turf left every lead perilous as a 16th century trip to the Tower of London.

"The ball flies. The ground balls, too," said New York's Luis Cessa, who pitched shutout ball from the second through the fifth.

Before a sellout crowd of 59,059, the defending

champion Red Sox began brightly in their alternate red jerseys. Xander Bogaerts, J.D. Martinez and Christian Vázquez became the first trio of Boston batters in four decades to hit home runs in the first inning, banging and mashing to a 4-0 lead against Stephen Tarpley, who was making his first big league start. But Boston made a depressing Brexit in a game that took 4:24. The World Series champions dropped a season-high 11 games behind the AL East-leading Yankees (54-28), who won for the 13th time in 14 games overall and improved to 6-1 against the Red Sox this year.

"Right now, they are a lot better than us, and we need to get better," Red Sox manager Alex Cora said. "Last year, we were putting teams away. This year, we're not doing that. ... It's not a lack of effort. I think it's lack of execution." Boston's bullpen blew a save for the 17th time, second only to the New York Mets' 21. New York closed in the second on Gio Urshela's RBI groundout and Brett Gardner's run-scoring

single. Eduardo Rodriguez and Colten Brewer maintained the lead through six innings, but Walden allowed all four batters he faced to reach in the seventh: LeMahieu doubled, Judge walked, Aaron Hicks hit an RBI double and Sánchez singled for a 5-4 lead. Urshela hit a two-run single off Matt Barnes, LeMahieu's second double boosted the lead to 9-4, Hicks had a sacrifice fly and Sánchez hit a grounder with English that bounced off the glove of Michael Chavis at first for a run-scoring error.

"I don't think we're pressing. For me right now it's just missing location with the slider," Walden said. Adam Ottavino (3-2) got the win. After Boston rallied in the eighth on Vázquez's two-run single off Chance Adams, Eduardo Núñez's RBI double and Sam Travis' run-scoring single against Britton, Rafael Devers left the bases loaded when he grounded out.

Red Sox fans were left to console each other over a few pints. The Yankees headed to their charter home in a celebratory mood. "For me, this means

a lot being back in Europe," said Gregorius, who was born in Amsterdam. "It's fun being here. It's always a crazy atmosphere."

LOOKING AHEAD

The Yankees open next season at Baltimore on March 26 to start a three-game series, play three more at Tampa Bay and face Toronto in their home opener on April 2, according to details from Major League Baseball's draft schedule, which was obtained by The Associated Press.

They host Boston from May 8-10, July 24-26 and Sept. 8-10, and they play at Fenway Park from June 12-14, July 30-Aug. 2 and Aug. 31-Sept. 2. The Yankees host the Mets on July 7-8 and are at Citi Field on July 28-29.

MISTAKE

New York GM Brian Cashman said it was a mistake to have RHP Luis Severino start his throwing program without having an MRI. Severino stopped throwing last week after feeling soreness and then had an MRI, which showed his strained late muscle was only 90 percent healed. Cashman said Severino is reluctant to have MRIs because he is not comfortable going into the tube for the scan.

OLD TIMES

Boston had not homered three times in the opening inning since Aug. 14, 1979, when Carl Yastrzemski, Carlton Fisk and Fred Lynn did it at Fenway Park off Minnesota's Pete Redfern.

TRAINER'S ROOM

Yankees: Sánchez came out after jamming his left thumb while catching a pitch in the eighth. ... 1B Luke Voit did not play after injuring his left abdomen Saturday.

Red Sox: LF Andrew Benintendi did not start because of leg problems.

UP NEXT

Yankees: Lefties James Paxton or J.A. Happ could start Tuesday night at the crosstown Mets.

Red Sox: LHP David Price (5-2) starts Tuesday night's series opener at Toronto, which goes with RHP Trent Thornton (2-5). □



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Verstappen wins Austrian GP to end Mercedes' unbeaten streak

By ERIC WILLEMSSEN

Associated Press

SPIELBERG, Austria (AP) — Max Verstappen showed off his risky racing style Sunday to win the Austrian Grand Prix for a second straight year and end Mercedes' unbeaten streak this season.

Chasing the leading trio, the Red Bull driver used all of his overtaking skills to get past Sebastian Vettel and Valtteri Bottas in the closing stages of the race before passing leader Charles Leclerc in a Ferrari with just two of the 71 laps to go. However, Verstappen had to wait more than three hours after the race to get his win confirmed. Race stewards investigated the Dutchman's pass of Leclerc as the wheels of both cars touched in a duel full of excitement which was often lacking in recent F1 races. Leclerc held off an attempt by Verstappen in lap 68, but failed to do it again the next lap. The cars came out of Turn 3 side-by-side when their wheels bumped, with



Red Bull driver Max Verstappen of the Netherlands celebrates after winning the Austrian Formula One Grand Prix at the Red Bull Ring racetrack in Spielberg, southern Austria, Sunday, June 30, 2019.

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Verstappen on the inside pushing Leclerc off the track.

FIA considered it "a racing incident" and "in the totality of the circumstances, we did not consider that either driver was wholly or

predominantly to blame for the incident."

When still unaware of the verdict, Verstappen had denied any wrongdoing. "The second time I braked a little bit deeper in the corner. From my side this is

racing, it is just hard racing," Verstappen said.

Leclerc, however, claimed "the second overtaking was not done correctly. There was contact and I had to go wide."

The much-debated fin-

ish to the race came after Verstappen had to work his way up to the front of the pack after dropping down to eighth due to a difficult start.

"The start was disappointing but we never gave up and to come back like this is amazing," Verstappen said.

"This is very important, also for the future and for Honda as well," he added, referring to Red Bull's engine supplier getting its first victory in the hybrid era, which started in 2014.

"I am happy that it happened today. Maybe a few doubts go away. At the moment it is an amazing feeling," said Verstappen, who earned his sixth career victory.

Mercedes driver Valtteri Bottas completed the podium, ahead of Ferrari's Sebastian Vettel and championship leader Lewis Hamilton, who started fourth and lost time to replace the front wing of his Mercedes after 31 laps and finished fifth. □

Kevin Durant to sign with Brooklyn Nets

By BRIAN MAHONEY

AP Basketball Writer

NEW YORK (AP) — Kevin Durant is headed to the Brooklyn Nets, leaving the Golden State Warriors after three seasons.

His decision was announced Sunday at the start of the NBA free agency period on the Instagram page for The Boardroom, an online series looking at sports business produced by Durant and business partner Rich Kleiman.

Durant won titles with Golden State in 2017 and '18 then was injured for much of this postseason as the

team lost the NBA Finals in six games to the Toronto Raptors.

A ruptured right Achilles tendon could keep him out the entire next season, and whenever he returns it will be in the Brooklyn black.

ESPN first reported Durant's decision, saying he had agreed to a four-year deal worth \$164 million. Durant could have gotten five years and about \$221 million to remain with the Warriors.

Durant, a 10-time All-Star who just completed his 12th NBA season, was leading all postseason scorers

at 34.2 points per game when he strained his right calf on May 8 in Game 5 of the Western Conference semifinals against the Rockets. He had seven 30-point performances during the recent playoffs.

It's unclear how he will play whenever he can return, but the Nets were willing to take a chance with a team on the rise. Brooklyn finished 42-40 this season and lost in the first round of the playoffs, then got a huge victory Sunday when it beat out the Warriors, New York Knicks and Los Angeles Clippers out for Durant. □



Golden State Warriors forward Kevin Durant (35) reacts as he leaves the court after sustaining an injury during first-half basketball action against the Toronto Raptors in Game 5 of the NBA Finals in Toronto, Monday, June 10, 2019.

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England shines on India to revive Cricket World Cup hopes

By BRIAN CHURCH

Associated Press

BIRMINGHAM, England

(AP) — India played in bright orange jerseys but England shone brighter for once as the hosts revitalized their struggling Cricket World Cup campaign with a 31-run victory on Sunday. Eoin Morgan's team needed this win at a sunny Edgbaston to stay in control of its own fate at the tournament, and once India captain Virat Kohli departed for 66 it always looked likely England would prevail.

India, playing in an away kit to avoid a clash of colors with England, finished on 306-5 after losing the toss and watching England amass 337-7 with a first World Cup century from Jonny Bairstow (111) and Jason Roy returning from a hamstring injury with a 57-ball 66.

Bairstow was even more brutal than Roy, ending with 10 fours and six sixes, including a huge swipe in the 19th over off Kuldeep Yadav which substitute fielder Ravindra Jadeja on the boundary would not have reached with a ladder. The pair combined for 160 before Roy was out.

Bairstow had engaged in a spat with former England captain Michael Vaughan



England's Chris Woakes fields off his own bowling during the Cricket World Cup match between India and England in Birmingham, England, Sunday, June 30, 2019.

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during the week, unhappy with Vaughan's criticism of team performances. It all turned out fine according to captain Morgan.

"He likes a bit of fire in his belly, and I don't mind that when he comes out and plays like that," Morgan said of Bairstow. "It's definitely a match-winning knock."

Despite the abundance of sixes from England — 13 against just the one for India from MS Dhoni (42 not out in 31 balls) in the last over of the game — this was a more controlled aggression on show from the tournament hosts, with

even dot balls often being given a good whack.

Joe Root chipped in with 44 from 54 deliveries and Ben Stokes smashed six boundaries and three sixes to lead the later charge with 79 from 54 as England, on course for a 400-plus total at one point, still managed to set India a record World Cup chase.

Pacer Mohammed Shami took 5-69, while spinner Yuzvendra Chahal returned 0-88 off 10 overs.

The chase looked huge for India but it wasn't always comfortable for England.

Kohli was in typically superb

form and shared a 138-run partnership for the second wicket with Rohit Sharma (102), who reached his century at a roughly run-a-ball rate and had hit 15 fours by that stage.

Kohli had only been dismissed once at Edgbaston in five previous innings. Make that two in six. He was out after a 76-ball innings with seven fours when he sliced the ball to substitute fielder James Vince at backward point off the bowling of Liam Plunkett (3-55).

Kohli's loss was a significant momentum shift and even-

tually India lost to England at the World Cup for the first time since 1992.

India had been 28-1 after 10 overs — the slowest powerplay of the tournament — and it was too heavy a weight to carry through the innings. Hardik Pandya was threatening at the end with 45 off 33 balls but was caught by Vince off Plunkett with around five overs left and India still needing 71 to win.

Chris Woakes ended on 2-58, including three maidens, and Jofra Archer a tidy 0-45.

England returned to fourth spot in the standings on 10 points, one ahead of Pakistan. England plays 2015 finalist New Zealand in its last group game at Durham on Wednesday. Two days later Pakistan plays Bangladesh at Lord's. It wasn't only bad news for Pakistan. Sri Lanka can no longer advance to the last four.

India remains second with a game in hand — facing Bangladesh at Edgbaston on Tuesday and Sri Lanka on Saturday at Headingley — but Kohli's team is no longer unbeaten.

"Every team has lost a game or two here and there. No one likes to lose but we have to take it in our stride. □

African Cup stunner: Madagascar beats Nigeria to progress

Associated Press

CAIRO (AP) —

Madagascar marked its first appearance at the African Cup of Nations with an extraordinary upset of Nigeria to qualify for the last 16 on Sunday. Madagascar stunned the three-time champion 2-0 to win Group B ahead of the Nigerians. Nigeria had already qualified for the knockout stages but that won't prevent the match from ranking as one of the biggest surprises in African Cup history.

Lalaina Nomenjanahary took advantage of an error by defender Leon Balogun to intercept a pass and put Madagascar ahead in the 13th minute in Alexandria. Carolus Andrea scored the second with a deflected



Egypt's Mohamed Salah scores during the African Cup of Nations group A soccer match between Egypt and Uganda in Cairo International Stadium in Cairo, Egypt, Sunday, June 30, 2019.

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free kick early in the second half, sending the Madagascans into ecstasy.

Reserve players leaped over the advertising boards and coach Nicolas Dupuis

sprinted from the dugout to join the celebrations on the field.

At the final whistle, players dumped bottles of water over Dupuis as if they'd won the whole tournament.

Just qualifying was a major feat for a squad made up mainly of players from the lower leagues in France. The Madagascans ensured their debut was memorable by beating one of Africa's strongest teams and going unbeaten through the group stage.

Nigeria, which won the African Cup in 2013, looked disjointed and dispirited and failed to live up to its hype as one of the favorites alongside host Egypt and Senegal.

Nomenjanahary pounced

for the opener when Balogun hesitated and allowed the Madagascar forward to steal the ball from in front of him.

Nomenjanahary skipped round goalkeeper Ikechukwu Ezenwa and slotted home.

Nigeria midfielder Wilfred Ndidi gave away a free kick and was then the player to get the last touch as Andrea's free kick deflected off the defensive wall and looped into the goal with Ezenwa wrong-footed. Guinea beat 10-man Burundi, another tournament debutant, 2-0 in Group B's other game. That meant Guinea finished third in the group and could still reach the last 16 as one of the four best third-place teams. □

From Zion to Jimmer, Summer League has a bit of everything

By **TIM REYNOLDS**
AP Basketball Writer

Zion Williamson obviously knows where he's playing next season. Jimmer Fredette has no idea. Such is the beauty of Summer League: There's ballyhooed 18-year-olds like Williamson, journeyman 30-year-olds like Fredette and a whole lot of everything else set to be on display over 95 games through July 15. Most spots on summer rosters go to players looking for full-time NBA work, though most of the eyeballs will be on the top draft picks like Williamson. Four-team leagues in Salt Lake City and Sacramento open Monday. From there, the big show starts Friday in Las Vegas with all 30 NBA teams represented along with the Chinese and Croatian national teams — and tickets for Day 1, when Williamson will make his debut for the New Orleans Pelicans, were sold out several days ago.

"I'm doing what I love to do and that's play basketball," said Williamson, the No. 1 overall draft pick this year. "And I don't try to live up to anybody's expectations. They can set them there, but I don't feel like I have to live up to them. I'm just going to be me and be the best version of myself that I can be."

Fredette has the same perspective.

The 2011 lottery pick — he's played for five different NBA teams not counting a preseason stint with San Antonio that didn't work out, spent time in the G League and averaged 37 points per game for the Shanghai Sharks of the Chinese Basketball Association over the last three years — has signed with the Golden State Warriors for the summer.

The Warriors open play Monday in Sacramento, which was Fredette's first NBA stop.

"I've had a lot of great opportunities in my life to go to a lot of cool places and play basketball and be successful and make great money and be able to play the game that I love,"



New Orleans Pelicans first-round NBA draft pick Zion Williamson smiles at his introductory news conference at the team's practice facility in Metairie, La., Friday, June 21, 2019.

Associated Press

said Fredette, who had a 75-point game for Shanghai last season. "So it's been a true blessing for me and I'm continuing on my journey right now, just trying to push forward and see what happens and make the best of the situation I have." Fredette, a native of Glens Falls, New York, was the AP college player of the year for BYU in 2011, and now makes his home in his wife's hometown of Denver. They have two children, the oldest not yet 3. Fredette doesn't want to be away from his wife and kids for months at a time anymore, so he's looking for a spot to play in the U.S.

"He's going to be great for our young guys," Warriors summer league coach Aaron Miles said. "He has a level of understanding on how to play this game.

... And he's still a bucket. I think it's great for us to have him and I think he's hopefully going to get an opportunity to show everybody that he deserves a spot in the league."

Many of this year's top draft picks are expected to appear in the summer games, their pseudo-debuts of sorts at the pro level. No. 2 overall selection Ja Morant will not play for the Memphis Grizzlies when they compete in Salt Lake City and Las Vegas while he recovers from minor knee surgery. Some newly drafted players like Miami's KZ Okpala and Detroit's Joran Bone will not be able to play in any summer games right away while they remain in trade limbo. They're unable to officially join their clubs until the deals that saw their rights get swapped

on draft night become finalized when the league's moratorium ends Saturday at noon Eastern.

The fact that Fredette is willing to play summer league for a third time — he also did it in 2012 and 2016, and would have played in 2011 as well had that summer's games not been canceled because of the league's lockout — speaks to how much he wants a shot. He's hopeful of sticking around with the Warriors. If that doesn't work, he knows 29 other NBA teams will be watching.

"I feel like I'm as good as I've ever been in my career," Fredette said. "And I hope to show it."

Here's some of what to know going into the summer games:

SALT LAKE CITY SUMMER LEAGUE

Site: Salt Lake City

Schedule: Two games a day Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday.

Teams: Utah, Memphis, San Antonio, Cleveland.

Format: Round robin, no playoff.

Notable: New Cleveland coach John Beilein will coach the Cavs' summer team in Salt Lake City. ... Among San Antonio's assistant coaches are Billy Donovan III (the son of Oklahoma City coach Billy Donovan), and two women — Maine's Edneisha Curry, the only female to hold a full-time men's Division I assistant job last season, and Spain's Lorena Infantes Nunez.

CALIFORNIA CLASSIC

Site: Sacramento, California

Schedule: Two games a day Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday.

Teams: Sacramento, Miami, Golden State, Los Angeles Lakers.

Format: Round robin, no playoff.

Notable: Event now in its second year, and drew more than 50,000 fans last season. ... Marvin Bagley III will play for the Kings in the Sacramento games, and isn't expected to play in Las Vegas. ... Trey Mournig, the son of Miami legend Alonzo Mourning, is on the Heat roster.

NBA SUMMER LEAGUE

Site: Las Vegas

Schedule: July 5-15

Teams: All 30 NBA clubs, plus national teams from China and Croatia.

Format: Every team is guaranteed five games, and eight teams will advance to a single-elimination playoff starting July 13.

Notable: Williamson and RJ Barrett — former Duke teammates — are set to square off on opening night Friday before a sold-out crowd, when New Orleans plays New York. ... Total attendance last year was a record 139,972, meaning ticket sales have doubled in the last four years alone.

... China also played summer league in 2007, and is using this year's games as a tuneup for the FIBA World Cup that starts Aug. 31. □

Dutch farm floats possibilities of urban dairy production

By MIKE CORDER

ROTTERDAM, Netherlands

(AP) — Peter van Wingerden's dairy farm smells just like any other farm — the rich aroma of cow manure and grass hangs in the air around the unusual stable housing the cattle. The farm itself is far from traditional.

Moored in a small harbor in Rotterdam's busy port, the farm is a futuristic three-storey floating structure where one robot milks the cows and another automatically scoops up the manure that gives the enterprise its familiar smell.

Its roof collects rainwater and a raft of solar panels floating alongside produces 40% of the energy the farm needs.

The cows, gazing out over ships transporting gas and yellow cranes unloading ships, eat a mixture of grass cut from a local golf course and the field used by Rotterdam's top soccer team, grain used by a local brewer to make beer and potato peelings — all automatically cut, mixed and transported to food troughs by conveyer belts.

As countries around the world seek to meet the challenge of feeding growing populations in a sustain-



In this photo taken Monday, June 24, 2019, a futuristic three-storey floating farm is moored in Rotterdam harbour, Netherlands.

Associated Press

able way, Van Wingerden believes the farm, which opened in May and cost about 3 million euros (\$3.4 million), demonstrates a new sustainable way of producing food close to where most of it is consumed — in the world's cities.

"Transporting all this food all over the world is really polluting the world. It's doing damage to food quality, it creates food losses," he said in a recent interview. "So we have to find a different model. We have to

bring it much closer to the citizens. And that's what we're showing over here." The fully functioning showcase of circular-economy farming combines Dutch expertise in recycling, building on water and automated agriculture is drawing interest from around the world. Van Wingerden said he is already discussing floating farms in Singapore and China. A group is looking into locating one in Red Hook, Brooklyn.

"We should stop exporting

food, but we should start exporting knowledge and technology," Van Wingerden said.

When the herd reaches its target capacity of 40 cows — there are currently 35 — it will produce 800 liters (211 gallons) of milk each day. The brown and white cows are a breed called Maas-Rijn-IJssel — named for three rivers that flow through the Dutch region they originate from.

The farm pasteurizes the milk and turns some of it

into yogurt on the middle floor of the pontoon. Manure is processed for use as fertilizer.

Jan Willem van der Schans, a senior researcher at Wageningen Economic Research who specializes in urban farming and circular economy issues, said floating farms could be the future for some sectors of agriculture such as fruit and some vegetables in some parts of the world. But he thinks that the level of automation and the unnatural surroundings of the cows may create opposition to the project.

"These are animals that we all like and then we like to see them in a meadow," he said. "And then we bring them into a very industrial environment and I think that's something that many people think is not the right direction for livestock farming to go into."

Van Wingerden said that animal welfare is his top priority, pointing to many design elements in the construction that are intended to make life as easy as possible for the cows such as rubber floors and poles in the stable. A small meadow of grass speckled with wildflowers grows on land next to the pontoon. □

Kudlow: US sales to Huawei won't imperil national security

Associated Press

WASHINGTON (AP) — White House economic adviser Larry Kudlow insisted Sunday that President Donald Trump won't back off national security concerns after agreeing to allow U.S. companies to sell some components to Chinese telecommunications giant Huawei.

Kudlow told "Fox News Sunday" and CBS' "Face the Nation" that Huawei will remain on an American blacklist as a potential security threat. He stressed that additional U.S. licensing "will be for what we call general merchandise, not national security sensitive," such as chips and software generally available around the world.



People walk past a Huawei retail store in Beijing, Sunday, June 30, 2019.

Associated Press

"What's happening now is simply a loosening up for general merchandise," Kudlow said. "This is not a general amnesty."

Trump made the announcement Saturday af-

ter meeting with China's Xi Jinping at the Group of 20 summit in Japan. Trump said U.S. companies could make the sales if the transactions don't present a "great, national emergen-

cy problem."

Several Republican senators immediately expressed concerns. In a tweet Saturday, Sen. Marco Rubio of Florida called the decision a "catastrophic mistake." Sen. Lindsey Graham, R-S.C., told CBS that Trump's agreement was "clearly a concession," and also said it would be a mistake if sales to Huawei involved "major technology."

Sen. John Barrasso, R-Wyo., described the Chinese company as a clear threat to U.S. national security. "To me, Huawei in the United States would be like a Trojan horse ready to steal more information from us," he told NBC's "Meet the Press."

American officials accuse

Huawei of facilitating Chinese spying, a charge the company denies, and see it as a growing competitive threat to U.S. technology industries.

Huawei's founder, Ren Zhengfei, said earlier this month it has cut its project sales by \$30 billion over the next two years due to curbs on access to American chips and other components. He said smartphone sales outside China will fall 40%. Huawei's U.S. sales of network gear evaporated after a U.S. congressional panel labeled the company a security threat in 2012 and told phone carriers to avoid it. The Chinese company still has a patent portfolio it licenses to manufacturers and carriers. □

How much you'll really pay for that student loan

By RYAN LANE
NerdWallet
Associated Press

Those who graduate college with student loans owe close to \$30,000 on average, according to the most recent data from the Institute for College Access & Success.

But they'll likely repay thousands more than that because of interest. One key to limiting interest cost is choosing the right repayment plan. The bottom line? Opting for lower payments will cost you more overall. Using a tool like the Education Department's Repayment Estimator can help you better understand potential costs. Here's how much \$30,000 in unsubsidized federal student loans would cost under different plans at the 2019-2020 undergraduate rate of 4.53%.

STANDARD REPAYMENT

Total repaid: \$37,311
Monthly payment: \$311
Repayment term: 120 months
The standard plan splits loans into 120 equal payments over 10 years. Federal borrowers automatically start repayment under this plan, unless they choose a



In this June 20, 2019, photo a student works in the library at Virginia Commonwealth University in Richmond, Va.

different option.

Standard repayment adds more than \$7,000 to the loan's balance in this example, but that's less than most other options.

Barry Coleman, vice president of counseling and education programs for the National Foundation for Credit Counseling, says to stick with the standard

plan if payments aren't more than 10% to 15% of your monthly income.

"The monthly payment would be higher, but in the long run (you) would save more in interest charges," Coleman says.

GRADUATED REPAYMENT

Total repaid: \$39,161
Monthly payment: \$175 to \$525

Repayment term: 120 months

Graduated plans start with low payments that increase every two years to complete repayment in 10 years. Despite having the same repayment term as the standard plan, graduated repayment costs \$1,850 more overall due to additional interest costs.

Cathy Mueller, executive director of Mapping Your Future, a nonprofit located in Sugar Land, Texas, that helps college students manage debt, says graduated repayment may be a good option for those who expect their earnings to increase in the future.

However, those doing well careerwise should try to make the standard plan work because of its lower interest costs.

"It's not going to be a huge difference, but every penny counts," she says.

EXTENDED REPAYMENT

Total repaid: \$50,027
Monthly payment: \$167
Repayment term: 300 months
The extended plan stretches repayment to 25 years, with payments either fixed or graduated. Fixed payments add more than \$20,000 to the example \$30,000 balance; graduated payments would inflate your balance even more. "(Extended repayment) is not going to be best for a lot of people," Mueller says. "But it is an option." You must owe more than \$30,000 in federal student loans to use extended repayment. □

Associated Press

International forum: Don't expect cheap money to do it all

BY DAVID McHUGH
FRANKFURT, Germany (AP)

— Stocks have risen on expectation of more help from central banks, but an international financial forum warned Sunday that the global recovery can't just rely on support from the likes of the U.S. Federal Reserve and the European Central Bank to get past its current shaky stretch.

The admonition from the Bank for International Settlements comes as the Fed and the ECB are signaling that more stimulus could be on the way. That message from Fed chair Jay Powell and ECB head Mario Draghi has helped send stock higher in Europe and the S&P 500 in the U.S. to a record high.

The BIS is cautioning that governments need to bring other policies into the game — and that there are

risks in relying too much on central bank stimulus such as cuts in interest rates and bond purchases that lower market borrowing costs. Those other policies include government spending where possible on growth-friendly infrastructure as well as pro-growth reforms such as slashing red tape for business.

"Monetary policy can no longer be the main engine of economic growth, and other policy drivers need to kick in to ensure the global economy achieves sustainable momentum," the BIS said in its annual economic report.

BIS General Manager Agustín Carstens warned that while stimulus can help in the short run, it can have side effects further out such as over-inflating asset prices such as stocks and bonds, and feeding less



In this file photo dated Saturday June 22, 2019, The European Central Bank during sunset in Frankfurt, Germany.

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productive zombie firms that wouldn't survive without cheap borrowing. Policymakers, he said, need "to be mindful of all those tradeoffs."

The BIS, a forum for central banks based in Basel, Switzerland, said the service

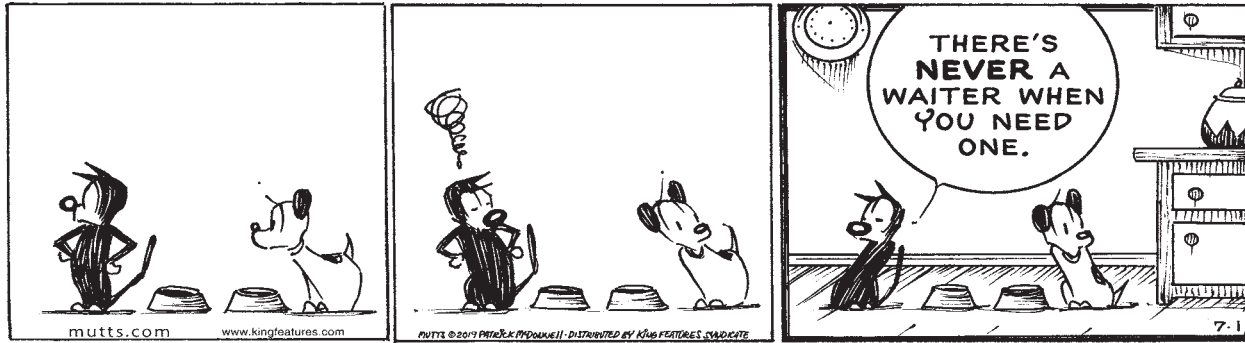
industries and falling unemployment can shore up the ailing global recovery in coming months. Rising wages and less unemployment are offsetting a slowdown in manufacturing and global trade.

Still, it said significant risks

remain, notably related to trade tensions between the U.S. and China. U.S. President Donald Trump is seeking to reduce China's trade surplus and has imposed new tariffs, or import taxes, while negotiating for a trade deal. Despite some apparent progress at a meeting between Trump and Chinese President Xi Jinping at the summit of leaders from the Group of 20 countries in Osaka, Japan, there's uncertainty about the outcome, and whether more tariffs might be coming.

"The trade tensions bring up questions about the viability of existing supply chain structures and the very future of the global trading system," Carstens said in a speech to the BIS annual meeting Sunday. "It bears repeating: trade wars have no winners, only losers." □

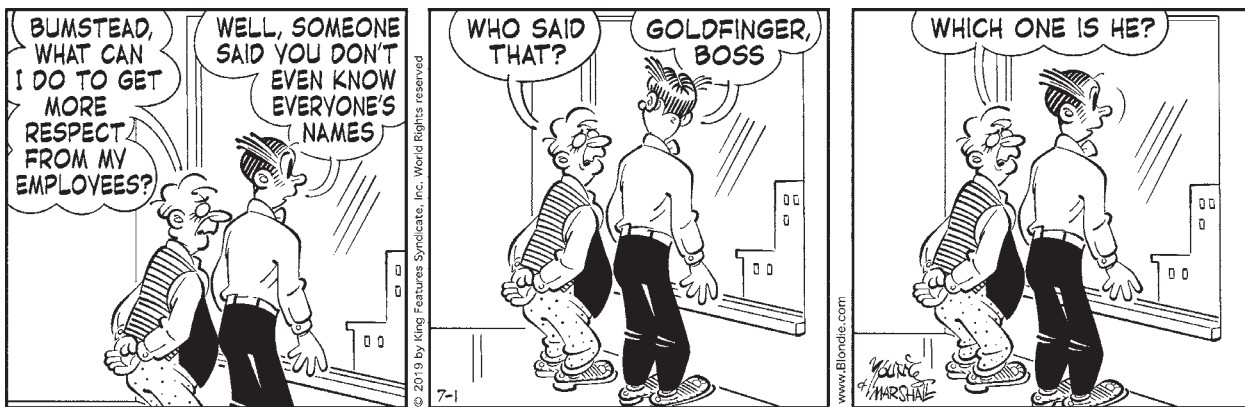
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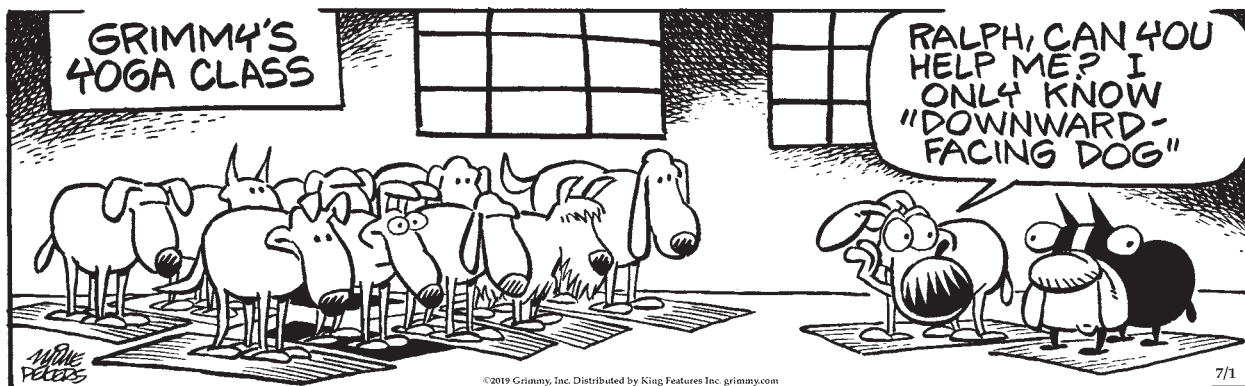
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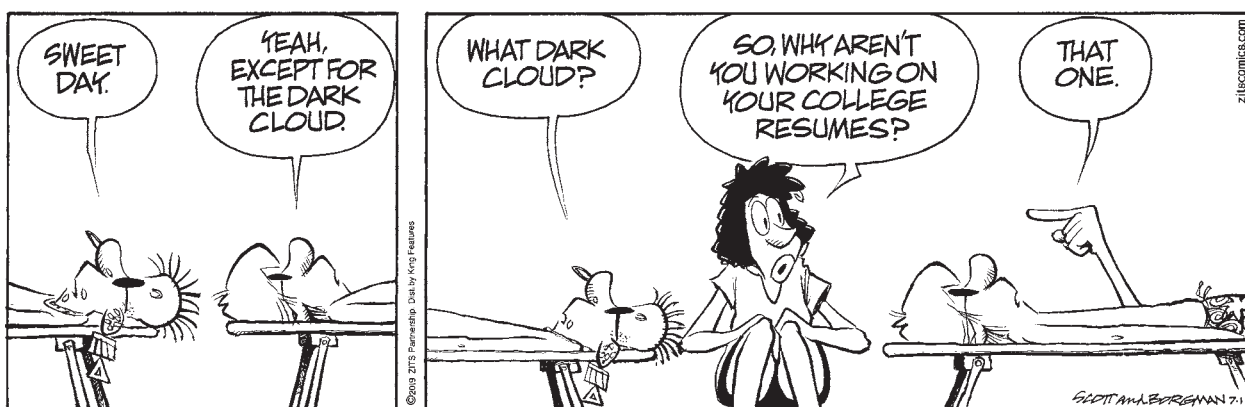
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Sudoku is a number-placing puzzle based on a 9x9 grid with several given numbers. The object is to place the numbers 1 to 9 in the empty squares so that each row, each column and each 3x3 box contains the same number only once. The difficulty level of the Conceptis Sudoku increases from Monday to Sunday.

Saturday's puzzle answer

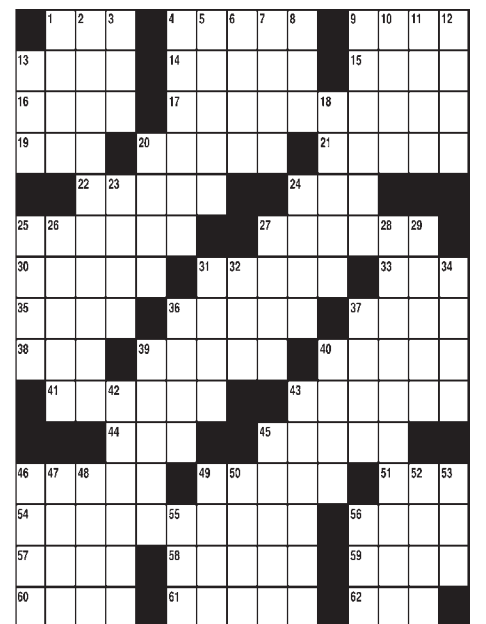
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- Standard car feature
- Up in ___; irate
- Make hazy
- Vietnam's capital
- Island feast
- Dog food brand
- Criminal's aide
- Bread for a Reuben
- Scumbag
- Sausages, often
- Meanders
- Actor Daniel ___ Kim
- Segel & Ritter
- Frankness
- Embrace as one's own
- Only one-syllable U.S. state
- Study of plants: abbr.
- Bekins vehicles
- Knox & Worth
- Dead giveaway
- Paris pal
- Penniless
- Elevate
- Petrified
- Moved just a bit
- Prefix for day or way
- Good wood for rafts
- Frequently
- Playground item
- Lid
- Sin
- Mother lode location
- Social misfit
- Saying
- Leave suddenly
- Observes
- Less adorned
- Not ___ more; no longer

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- Actress Sheedy
- Part of SST
- In favor of



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Saturday's Puzzle Solved

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- Womanizers
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- Regulation
- Makes right
- Burrowing mammal
- Pig out
- Possesses
- Unrestrained
- Ripped
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- "Beauty is ___ skin-deep"
- Flea collar wearer
- Apply finger paint
- Business deg.

Baby lobster numbers spell trouble for shellfish population

By PATRICK WHITTLE

Associated Press

PORTLAND, Maine (AP)

— Baby lobsters are continuing to appear in high numbers off some parts of Canada while tailing off in New England, raising questions about what the valuable shellfish's population will look like in several years. University of Maine scientist Rick Wahle has documented trends in baby lobster density for years, and released new data for 2018 this month. The new data reinforce recent trends about lobsters that show upticks off sites in Atlantic Canada, such as some areas in Nova Scotia, Wahle said. Meanwhile, the Gulf of Maine reported below average numbers from Bar Harbor to Cape Cod, he said.

Young lobsters settle into the ocean bottom, where they take shelter as they grow. Wahle tracks where lobsters are settling in 23 areas from Rhode Island to Prince Edward Island, Canada. This year's data showed high totals in Canadian locations such as St. Mary's Bay, Nova Scotia, and the southern Gulf of St. Lawrence, but low numbers in Maine fishing areas such as the Midcoast region and Casco Bay. American fishermen compete with Canada for the same species of lobster, which anchors one of the



In this May 9, 2016 file photo, a marine biologist holds a young lobster on Friendship Long Island, Maine.

Associated Press

most lucrative fisheries in either country. Some scientists have said the shellfish appear to be moving north as waters warm.

"It's as if this wave that has crested in Maine is now increasing in Atlantic Canada," Wahle said.

New England's commercial harvest of lobster has been strong in recent years, but it's dependent on young lobsters growing to maturity. Some New England sites, such as those off Rhode Island, show few baby lobsters at all.

America's lobster industry is based mostly in Maine, and its haul of the crustaceans has been high all decade. The state's catch peaked at an all-time high of 132.6 million in 2016 before falling to 111.9 million — still a historically high number — in 2017. □



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Controversial telescope to be built on sacred Hawaiian peak

HONOLULU (AP) — After years of protests and legal battles, officials have announced that a massive telescope which will allow scientists to peer into the most distant reaches of our early universe will be built on a Hawaiian volcano that some consider sacred. The state announced a "notice to proceed" for the Thirty Meter Telescope project at a news conference Thursday.

Hawaii Gov. David Ige said it was the final legal step in a long, often contentious, process, and that construction is expected to begin sometime this summer.

"We will proceed in a way that respects the people, place and culture that make Hawaii unique," Ige said. "We are all stewards of Mauna Kea. The state has an obligation to respect and honor the unique cultural and natural resources on this special mountain." Scientists say the summit is one of the best places on Earth for astronomy. The telescope would be three times as wide as the largest existing visible-light telescope in the world, with nine times more area. Several telescopes and observatories are already on the summit.

But opponents say the telescope will desecrate sacred land atop Mauna Kea, the state's highest peak and a place of religious importance to Native Hawaiians. State and county officials arrived at the summit early Thursday morning to remove Native Hawaiian structures that had been built on land where the telescope will be constructed.

Kealoha Pisciotta, a Native Hawaiian activist who has led some of the protest



In this Aug. 31, 2015, file photo, observatories and telescopes sit atop Mauna Kea, Hawaii's tallest mountain and the proposed construction site for a new \$1.4 billion telescope, near Hilo, Hawaii.

Associated Press

efforts, said officials were only allowing astronomers through and blocking the road to the summit for everyone else, including Hawaiians who asked to go pray. The Department of Land and Natural Resources said one person was arrested by county police for obstruction.

Native Hawaiians have used the structures for years, Pisciotta said, and she considers the removal of the structures to be desecration and discriminatory.

"What's the argument for taking them down? It's completely discriminatory. It's hostile to the Native Hawaiian people," she said. "These are places of worship and the places where we lay our offering and our prayer."

She said their rights to religious freedom are being violated.

"If someone went into a church and took down the crucifix or you know the cross, how would that be

treated?" Pisciotta asked. Pisciotta said an overnight solstice ceremony was planned on the mountain and worried that they would be denied access. The group was also planning to honor an elder who recently died.

"They know that we go up during solstice and equinox," said Pisciotta. "We were preparing to head up tonight for the solstice and to honor him."

A spokesman for the state attorney general's office said in an email that officials will not restrict access for that event.

The new telescope will allow astronomers to reach back 13 billion years, to the time just after the big bang, and scientists say it will help answer fundamental questions about the advent of the universe.

"The world is not black and white. This is not an oil pipe-

line. It is a telescope to look into the very origins of life in the universe," Ige said. "We have worked a long time to hear each other and to make a choice as a collective community. To the many who support this project, let us always hold all views as one. Let us always touch the mountain as we gaze out beyond the sky." Plans for the telescope date to 2009, when scientists first selected Mauna Kea. The project won a series of approvals from Hawaii, including a permit to build on conservation land in 2011.

Protests disrupted a groundbreaking and Hawaiian blessing ceremony at the site in 2014. Construction stopped in April 2015 after 31 protesters were arrested for blocking the work. A second attempt to restart construction a few months later ended with more arrests and crews retreating when they encountered large boulders in the road. Hawaii Attorney General Clare Connors said the state Supreme Court ruling must be respected, but that people's right to free speech is also protected and that the conversation should continue. □

Beagles sniff out snails in luggage at Atlanta airport

ATLANTA (AP) — Two dogs, part of the U.S. Customs and Border Protection's "beagle brigade," sniffed out two Giant African Snails in the luggage of a passenger arriving at Atlanta's airport from Nigeria.

The Atlanta Journal-Constitution reports the beagles, named Candie and Chipper, were alerted to the passenger's checked bags at Hartsfield-Jackson International Airport on Friday. A Customs agriculture specialist found the snails in a suitcase, along with prohibited fruits and vegetables. The snails were turned over to the U.S. Department of Agriculture, while the food was destroyed. The USDA's website says such snails are illegally imported for



This photo provided by U.S. Customs and Border Protection shows two Giant African Snails that were seized at Hartsfield-Jackson Atlanta International Airport.

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classroom exhibits as pets or for food. They're also described as "one of the most damaging" in the world

because they consume at least 500 types of plants, reproduce quickly, and can cause meningitis. □



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'True Justice' explores lawyer who defends death row inmates

By RUSSELL CONTRERAS
Associated Press

ALBUQUERQUE, N.M. (AP)

— Civil rights attorney Bryan Stevenson rarely slows down, friends and family say. It seems he's always looking over details on death penalty cases from his Montgomery, Alabama-based Equal Justice Initiative. If he's not speaking on the criminalization of black men, Stevenson is researching another historical site connected to an episode of racial violence.

But a new HBO documentary on Stevenson attempts to get him to sit, speak and explain why he believes the legacy of lynchings of African Americans in the U.S. is directly linked to those who have wrongly been put on death row. In his mind, racial structures of oppression have remained in the U.S. judicial system since the Jim Crow-era and the death penalty is merely their direct descendant.

"Most people don't know about our history of lynching," Stevenson told The Associated Press in a phone interview shortly after receiving news Friday that the Supreme Court had overturned the death sentence for Curtis Flowers, a Mississippi black man. "People have never been required to talk about it. But when you sit and think about it, the correlation is there."

Stevenson said the white lynch mob transformed into a formal judicial process in which often white prosecutors, white judges and largely white juries are tasked with deciding if a poor, black male accused of a crime is sentenced to death.

"True Justice: Bryan Stevenson's Fight for Equality," set to air Wednesday on HBO, shows how the Harvard-trained attorney is now dedicating his life to forcing the U.S. to face the violence experienced by its communities of color.

lence experienced by its communities of color.

The Delaware-born Stevenson gained national attention in 1993 after he helped exonerate Walter McMillian, a 46-year-old black pulpwood worker on death row. McMillian had been sentenced to death for the 1986 fatal shooting of an 18-year-old white woman in an Alabama town where Harper Lee wrote "To Kill a Mockingbird." But Stevenson was able to prove that a key witness had lied and prosecutors withheld important evidence.

The attorney then helped exonerate Anthony Ray Hinton in 2015, an African American man who spent 30 years on death row in Alabama after he was convicted for the 1985 slaying of two fast-food managers. Stevenson was able to show that experts could prove Hinton's mother's gun, the one prosecutor said was using in the killings,



This undated image released by HBO shows civil rights attorney Bryan Stevenson from the documentary "True Justice: Bryan Stevenson's Fight for Equality," airing Wednesday on HBO.

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couldn't have been the one used in the shooting. In the documentary, Hinton talks about sitting on death row and being forced to smell the burning flesh of other inmates in the electric chair as a jail guard taunted him. The film comes as the country prepares to mark the 100th anniversary of "Red Summer" — a

period in 1919 when white mobs attacked and murdered African Americans in dozens of cities across the U.S. Hundreds of African Americans, some still in their World War I uniforms, were lynched, tortured and forced from homes amid heightened racial tensions and the rise of the revived Ku Klux Klan. □

'Yesterday' takes a great idea, adds too much sugar

By JOCELYN NOVECK

Jack Malik (Himesh Patel) is a soulful if brooding young man, with a very pleasant singing voice. But when we meet him, the fledgling songwriter and supermarket clerk from coastal England feels stuck in the middle of a hard day's night. If he doesn't get any help soon, he'll end up a real nowhere man.

And so, after one more desultory gig attended by

just a few lonely people, he tells his childhood friend and volunteer manager, Ellie (Lily James), that it's over: He's hanging up his gently weeping guitar.

But then, something inexplicable happens. On a bike ride home, the street lights go out; Jack collides with a bus. Awakening later in the hospital, he learns from Ellie that the electricity went out — all over the world! — for 12 seconds.



This image released by Universal Pictures shows Lily James,, left, and Himesh Patel in a scene from "Yesterday."

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OPENING JULY 4: SPIDERMAN FAR FROM HOME, THE POISON ROSE

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He makes a joke about being 64. Ellie has no idea what he means. Soon, Jack will realize the enormity of what's happened: Nobody remembers The Beatles, except for him. Incredibly, the immense Beatles catalog is all his, to introduce to the world.

This is the tantalizing premise of "Yesterday," directed by Danny Boyle and star-

ring, more than any actor, a slew of classic Beatles tunes. What a great idea, and what questions it raises: Would we love those iconic songs today the way we did the first time? Would they be as appealing in someone else's voice? Would some of the tunes soar, and others flop? Would a post #MeToo world accept, for example,

New Whitney Houston remix by DJ-producer Kygo released



This March 26, 1999 file photo shows Whitney Houston performing at the 13th annual Soul Train Music Awards in Los Angeles.

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NEW YORK (AP) — You can dance to a new-ish Whitney Houston song this

weekend.

Houston originally released a cover of Steve Winwood's "Higher Love" as a Japan-only bonus track on her 1990 album "I'm Your Baby Tonight," but the song has been given an upbeat, dance remix by Norwegian DJ-producer Kygo.

The new version of "Higher Love" was released digitally on Friday. Winwood's original version was released in 1986 and hit No. 1 on the Billboard Hot 100 chart.

Kygo, best known for his Top 10 hit "It Ain't Me" with Selena Gomez, will perform the new "Higher Love" at the PrideFestival Utopia on Sunday in New York City. Houston died at the age of 48 in 2012. ☐

a song by an older man
about a 17-year-old girl?

And more broadly, what would popular music even look like in 2019 without a half-century of Beatles influence?

Alas, these questions aren't really explored in "Yesterday," which instead takes its enticing premise, sets it up cleverly, then resorts to a familiar rom-com formula, assuming that what we REALLY want to know is whether the boy will get the girl. This is perhaps not totally surprising given that the screenplay is by Richard Curtis, a master of frothy (but undeniably enjoyable) fare like "Four Weddings and a Funeral" and "Love Actually."

Curtis obviously knows how to entertain, Boyle is an expert director, and many elements here are charming; there are also winning performances from Patel and the luminous James, as well as a self-knowing turn from Ed Sheeran as himself, and reliably effective comedy from Kate McKinnon.

But for every laugh-out-loud moment in the smartly paced first half, there's a sigh later as to what might have been. And in what will clearly be a divisive moment for audiences, there's a gasp-inducing scene in the final stretch that, for some, will stray way too far from the comfort zone. □

Novel dissects divorce with sharp, funny scalpel

By BROOKE LEFFERTS

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"Fleishman Is in Trouble" (Random House), by Taffy Brodesser-Akner

There was once a time when becoming a doctor or marrying one was an ideal measure of success. But "Fleishman Is in Trouble," the new novel by Taffy Brodesser-Akner, rejects that antiquated notion and several other tired societal tropes, shining a light on how we view work, relationships and material things.

Toby Fleishman, a Manhattan doctor and father of two, is in the middle of a painful divorce and finds the best medicine is swiping right on Tinder to ease his pain. The plot takes place over just a few weeks, but the story of how his 14-year marriage to Rachel devolved into an angry, bitter mess comes in flashbacks of how the couple met, fell in love and built a life to-

gether.

An old friend of Toby's serves as the narrator and judge, coloring the story with her own insecurities and marital itchiness. The first part of the book reveals Toby's side of things, and while he paints himself as a martyr who took a back seat in his career as a liver specialist to play Mr. Mom, it's clear his self-pity, fear of failure and disappointment in the way his life has turned out contributed to the disintegration of the family.

In Toby's version, Rachel is the easy villain — obsessed with money and status — who rose from assistant to superagent to the stars, working long hours, networking for social and professional gain, and becoming the breadwinner while growing increasingly powerful and financially successful.

The seeds of resentment are sown as Toby feels increasingly inadequate and

Rachel's busy schedule and pressure to keep up with the elite banker crowd pushes her to the point of a breakdown. Rachel gets her say in the last part of the book, and we see where she got her drive, how specific life events devastated her and made her feel like no one — including Toby — had her back.

Brodesser-Akner is a journalist best known for her in-depth celebrity interviews, including a New York Times magazine cover story on Gwyneth Paltrow and Goop that got attention for its incisive reporting and humor. The author's sharp wit and descriptions of a certain urban privileged life are dead-on and often hilarious. The novel feels fresh and modern with a satirical edge, but enough truth to sting even the schmoopi-est of married couples.

She describes how parenting and work exhaustion, bitterness and dreams un-



This cover image released by Random House shows "Fleishman is in Trouble," by Taffy Brodesser-Akner.

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realized strip the desire out of sex until it becomes a chore. All the mid-life crises symptoms are here: from tawdry affairs to Botox boosts, yoga retreats and the politics of navigating dating app hookups. Stay-at-home moms won't like her assertion that they have it easier than working

mothers, who are, after all, juggling two jobs.

There's a plot twist that drives the narrative, but it's the way that Brodesser-Akner manages to notice both the minutiae of relationships that universally drives people crazy as well as a macro picture of how being married feels after 15 years that anchor the book. Both Toby and Rachel get caught up in her drive for the house in the Hamptons, private schools and invitations to exclusive playdates, clouding their values and breaking promises they made to each other long ago.

One overall message is that holding onto the routine of staying "busy" — overscheduling, rushing, competing and social media posting — often results in feelings of loneliness, inadequacy and a lack of connection.

Toby Fleishman isn't the only one in trouble. □

Big music fest abruptly ended over security, fraud suspicion

BRUSSELS (AP) — A music festival in Belgium featuring major stars like rapper Cardi B came to a chaotic end before it had even started. Security concerns were ostensibly the reason behind the cancellation of the VestiVille festival in Belgium on Friday, though local officials have launched a fraud investigation.

That's added a further layer of confusion and rekindled memories of the Fyre Festival, the failed music bash in the Bahamas in 2017 that was brought to the world's attention in a smash Netflix documentary earlier this year.

Videos posted on Twitter show an elaborate stage apparently ready for the three-day music fest on a campsite in Lommel, in Belgium's Flemish region. But thousands of festival-goers from around Europe and elsewhere got a shock as police, some with dogs, moved in to try to keep them out of the grounds.

Belgium's RTBF network said Saturday that the Limbourg



In this June 16, 2019 file photo, Cardi B performs at the Bonnaroo Music and Arts Festival in Manchester, Tenn.

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prosecutor's office has opened an investigation on suspicion of fraud over payments and quoted spokesman Jeroen Swijssen as saying three of the festival organizers were questioned Friday night.

The three were not identified. An investigating judge was said to be questioning them further over the weekend on an array of suspicions including fraud, laundering and breach of trust.

VestiVille wrote on Facebook and Twitter on Friday that Lommel Mayor Bob Nijs stopped the festival on security grounds. The posts said that after consulting security services and security for star rapper A\$AP

Rocky, "it was decided that the safety of the artist and the public could not be guaranteed." However, security issues were not currently included in the investigation. A\$AP Rocky said on Twitter that the promoters had told him that "security and infrastructure concerns" would have been "handled but unfortunately for you and me they didn't." There was no immediate response to an email query to VestiVille about alleged deficiencies and other potential problems behind the cancellation, which recalled the Fyre Festival debacle. That was meant to be a music blowout in a luxurious setting on a Bahamian island. It never opened due to a bevy of problems from security to food.

Rapper Ja Rule, a co-founder of Fyre Festival, was to perform Saturday at VestiVille. He has denied any involvement in any fraud and has never been charged with any wrongdoing related to the failed enterprise. □

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